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## AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE DELAWARE COUNTY WEED AND SEED SUSTAINABILITY FUND

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WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish a new fund entitled "Delaware County Weed and Seed Sustainability Fund" to account for the receipt and disbursement of funds from Delaware County Community Corrections, The City of Muncie, and any other sources for the purpose of match for the Weed and Seed proposal projects.

WHEREAS, the focus of the Weed and Seed program is to "weed out" violent crime, gang activity, drug use, and drug trafficking in neighborhoods. Resources are then used to "seed" the target area for social and economic revitalization and long term-stability.

WHEREAS, Delaware County Community Corrections has been designated as the fiscal agent for the Weed and Seed Federal grant and any grant money awarded from other sources for the funding of Weed and Seed proposal projects.

WHEREAS, the Weed and Seed proposal targets an identified crime area of Muncie with drug possession arrests and drug dealing offenses, people living in poverty, vacant housing, low educational attainment of residents and a higher concentration of re-entering offenders returning to the community.

WHEREAS, the purpose of the proposal is to implement initiatives including law enforcement, community policing prevention/intervention/treatment/safe haven and neighborhood restorations aimed at reducing drug and crime and reducing recidivism among re-entering offenders.

WHEREAS, the sustainability fund money will be based on possible local and state funding and will not be commingled with the "Delaware County Weed and Seed Grant Fund".

NOW, THREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, the Weed and Seed Sustainability Fund is created for the purpose of receiving money designated for the Weed and Seed project with Delaware County Community Corrections being the fiscal agent for this project.

FURTHER, Delaware County Community Corrections may expend the said sustainability fund, the costs incurred to implement the projects of the Weed and Seed proposal.

FURTHER, this fund shall be perpetual in nature and the funds are non-reverting at the years' end.

FURTHER, THIS Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Board of Commissioners of Delaware County, Indiana.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Delaware County, State of Indiana, on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DELAWARE COUNTY, INDIANA

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