

**MARCELLUS INVESTMENT AND JOB DEVELOPMENT
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the governing bodies of six counties situated in northern West Virginia, consisting of Hancock, Brooke, Ohio, Marshall, Wetzel and Tyler are committed to the economic well being of its citizenry and their community at large; and

WHEREAS, said governing bodies are fully prepared to support appropriate efforts by the natural gas industry within their region to capitalize on the resources located within their counties to promote economic development through job creation and investment; and

WHEREAS, these governing bodies and those they dutifully represent are directly impacted by the unprecedented development of the natural gas discovery that is the Marcellus/Utica Shale; and

WHEREAS, this assembly fully realizes this discovery and resulting development is generational and transformational, and has agreed to act with solidarity to secure maximum investment for this region of West Virginia to the absolute best of their ability; and

WHEREAS, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissions represented, that our communities and region intend to actively participate in attracting and securing any and all investment that utilizes the natural resources which are located within our region, by whatever means necessary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that by taking this stance, we as elected officials, pledge our honest effort to secure the maximum value-added investment and employment potential offered by the natural gas industry and related industries for our constituents now and for the future;

This resolution is in full effect upon its adoption this 12th day of July 2011.

President, Hancock County Commission 

President, Brooke County Commission 

President, Ohio County Commission 

President, Marshall County Commission 

President, Wetzel County Commission 

President, Tyler County Commission 