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County Executive Chris Ronayne  
Cuyahoga County Administrative Headquarters  
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RE: Letter of Commitment for Cuyahoga County CPRG Implementation Grant Submission

Dear Executive Ronayne,

I am writing this Letter of Commitment on behalf of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 673 in support of Cuyahoga County, the City of Cleveland, and the City of Painesville's Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation Grant for the deployment of clean electricity and nature-based solutions, in alignment with the PCAP measures submitted by the Northeastern Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) for the Cleveland-Elyria Metropolitan Statistical Area.

IBEW Local 673 has a long and great-standing relationship with the City of Painesville. IBEW Local 673 and our Mentor Electrical Joint Apprenticeship Training Center (JATC) provides well-educated Journeyman and Apprentice workers along with continuing education classes relevant to the electrical construction industry. Our Electricians fall under the collectively bargained agreements between the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 673, and the Greater Cleveland Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA).

As climate change becomes more readily apparent and renewable energy more of a need, we know that the demands on our services and labor will become greater. Solar systems will become more normal for industrial, commercial, and residential sectors and as this grant application shows, for local government and municipal utilities. The partnership envisioned by the municipal utilities of Cuyahoga County, the City of Cleveland, and the City of Painesville to develop sites from brownfields to solar fields is historic and monumental. It adds clean electricity to our grid, and it offers a huge amount of work to our union members in the field.

IBEW Local 673 and our Mentor Electrical JATC commit to working with the City of Painesville and its partners. We will enter into a Project Labor Agreement (PLA) to provide an expert labor force to complete this work safely, on time, and on budget. This opportunity would also provide field experiences and apprenticeship opportunities to students at our training program.

We are additionally excited because collectively, these projects are identified in the Justice40 Census tracts and represent real opportunities to help disadvantaged communities reduce their energy burdens, minimize greenhouse gas footprints, and educate students in an important field of study i.e., renewable energy development.

Our participation in a partnership with the City of Painesville in the CPRG will ensure that federal climate investments go directly to frontline communities such as the ones described above.

Sincerely,

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Business Manager/Financial Secretary  
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