RESOLUTION NO. 2017-010

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO MAKE A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE REVITALIZE IOWA'S SOUND ECONOMY (RISE) PROGRAM.

WHEREAS; Cass County endorses the construction of an ethanol plant in the County by Elite Octane, LLC; and the corresponding roadway improvements required to serve the plant and development area; and,

WHEREAS; there is an immediate non-speculative opportunity, that with State RISE grant assistance for road improvements, Elite Octane, LLC will create at least 49 full time equivalent jobs in Cass County, and RISE funding is essential for that effort; and,

WHEREAS; Cass County has determined that this roadway paving project is necessary prior to the ethanol plant opening because the high truck traffic that the plant will require cannot be supported by the current roadway; and,

WHEREAS; Cass County has determined that without RISE funding for roadway improvements the ethanol plant developer will not be able to complete the project; and,

WHEREAS; Cass County will contribute a local match of a minimum of 50% of the eligible RISE project costs, and 100% of any ineligible RISE project costs associated with the roadway improvement; and,

WHEREAS; this project will be open to public use and Cass County will have jurisdiction over and will adequately maintain this road.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CASS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, as follows:

SECTION 1: Cass County authorizes and directs the Chair to make an application to the Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (RISE) program and commits to the required matching funds.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 31st day of March, 2017.

/s/-Gaylord Schelling, Chair

Attest: /s/-Dale Sunderman, Auditor