

A RESOLUTION DECLARING MIDLAND COLLEGE SUPPORT OF THE *PRIORITY MIDLAND* INITIATIVE AND AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION OF DR. STEVE THOMAS AND MRS. LINDA COWDEN TO REPRESENT MIDLAND COLLEGE HEREIN.

Whereas, the ongoing energy-led economic expansion has placed immense pressure on Midland’s infrastructure, housing, healthcare, education and quality of place; and

Whereas, public funding capacity is insufficient to meet current and future needs; and

Whereas, community leaders must act collectively to ensure that Midland remains a world-class destination for business and talent, while meeting the needs of all its citizens; and

Whereas, *Priority Midland* will lead the communication between elected officials and community stakeholders to accelerate funding and drive solutions for our growing community; and

Whereas, *Priority Midland* will be composed of community leaders from across governmental entities, private foundations and area industries; and

Whereas, by bringing together the community’s leaders, sharing information and acting collectively, *Priority Midland* will: (1) increase overall funding available for projects, (2) reduce timeframes in which projects are started and completed, and (3) create a roadmap for the future of Midland with a focus on partnership-based solutions;

Whereas, this process will be driven by identifying priority projects, securing funding (public and private), and providing resources and tools to enhance success; and

Whereas, transparency, inclusivity, and feedback from all stakeholders is paramount to facilitate decision making going forward.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by MIDLAND COLLEGE to support *Priority Midland* and authorize participation of DR. STEVE THOMAS and MRS. LINDA COWDEN to represent MIDLAND COLLEGE herein.

ADOPTED AND PASSED by MIDLAND COLLEGE, this 15th of January, 2019.

Chief Elected Official: Mrs. Linda Cowden print

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