



## Legislation Text

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Council Members Melden, Komives and Gadus

### **Recognizing and supporting the Great Lakes Authority Act of 2022.**

WHEREAS, Toledo City Council recognizes and supports legislation introduced in Congress by Ohio 9th District U.S. Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur and several co-sponsors in March 2022 to create the Great Lakes Authority; and

WHEREAS, while the federal government has an array of commissions, authorities, and bureaus responsible for guiding long-term development and environmental conservation in other regions, the Great Lakes region lacks such dedicated federal support, and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Authority Act would establish the Great Lakes Authority, which would serve as the only federal entity dedicated exclusively to advancing comprehensive solutions to challenges the Great Lakes watershed faces across eight U.S. states; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Authority will promote economic development and job creation, and create world-class workforce education, training, and adjustment institutions to spur economic growth in communities disproportionately affected by the outsourcing of jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Authority will restore and protect the Great Lakes, which are the principal source of surface freshwater in North America; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Authority will foster innovation to strengthen and expand domestic manufacturing and promote cleaner and more sustainable power production; and establish and administer funding mechanisms to finance clean energy, green infrastructure, water infrastructure, and broadband infrastructure projects; NOW, THEREFORE,

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Toledo:

SECTION 1. That Toledo City Council recognizes and supports the Great Lakes Authority Act legislation and encourages immediate passage.

SECTION 2. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted: August 16, 2022: yeas 12, nays 0.

Attest:

Gerald E. Dendinger  
Clerk of Council

Matt Cherry  
President of Council

Approved:                      August 16, 2022  
                                      Wade Kapszukiewicz  
                                      Mayor