



OHIO BIRD CONSERVATION INITIATIVE

MEMORANDUM OF ENDORSEMENT

Recognizing the importance of bird conservation in Ohio, _____

(Name of Organization)

endorses the conservation efforts of the *Ohio Bird Conservation Initiative*, and acknowledges the following principles are critical to effective bird conservation:

- Bird conservation depends upon the coordination of the diverse skills and resources of government agencies, private organizations, businesses, and all citizens who care for birds.
- Voluntary partnerships are essential for the effective delivery of integrated bird conservation.
- Bird conservation requires that attention be placed on the full array of wild bird species using a landscape approach that allows bird conservation to be integrated successfully into sustainable land-use patterns.
- Bird conservation will be based on the best available scientific information.
- Knowledge will be shared widely to encourage voluntary stewardship and further bird-based recreation.

On behalf of the members of the above-named organization, we hereby endorse the efforts of the *Ohio Bird Conservation Initiative* to protect, restore, and enhance the populations and habitats of Ohio's wild birds. The *Ohio Bird Conservation Initiative* requires no formal commitment to any specific actions by any of its partners. It does require, however, a desire to deliver the full spectrum of bird conservation in Ohio through landscape-scale assessment and management, guided by sound science and using voluntary stewardship.

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