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James R. Opelt
Mayor

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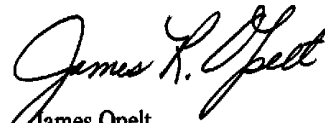
Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of the Village of Pemberville Resolution Number 679, passed by Council on March 7, 2006.

The Village encourages your full financial audit of Columbia Gas.

We look forward to your findings.

Sincerely,


James Opelt
Mayor

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Resolution No. 679

Passed March 7, 2006

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND SUPPORTING THE EFFORT TO
PETITION THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO
FOR A FULL FINANCIAL AUDIT OF COLUMBIA GAS,
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, consumers and businesses in the Village of Pemberville continue to suffer from extraordinarily high prices for natural gas; and

WHEREAS, these exorbitant costs negatively impact our efforts to attract new businesses and jobs to our Village, act to depress the housing market and place an undue burden on all residents, including the elderly; and

WHEREAS, since 1994, we have seen consistent increases in natural gas costs in Northwest Ohio, an area already historically burdened with high utility costs; and

WHEREAS, struggling families managing on tight budgets and elderly who are living on fixed incomes should not be forced to choose between adequately heating their homes and feeding their children or visiting the doctor; and

WHEREAS, the City of Toledo passed a similar Resolution to help support their residents and businesses, and the Village of Pemberville sees this issue as a regional concern; and

WHEREAS, despite the crisis in natural gas prices the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio has continually failed to conduct a full financial audit of Columbia Gas; and

WHEREAS, members of Village Council have recently launched a cooperative effort with state legislators and interested public citizens to build support for a full financial audit of Columbia Gas,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERVILLE, COUNTY OF WOOD, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1: Pemberville Village Council recognizes and supports the effort to ask the public Utilities Commission of Ohio to conduct a full financial audit of Columbia Gas. We also request, in light of their current substantial profits, that Columbia Gas show cause and disclose those schedules necessary to determine if their current rates and profit continues to be appropriate.

SECTION 2: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public.

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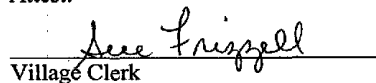
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SECTION 3: This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force upon its passage. The reason for the emergency lies in the fact that the immediate adoption of this Resolution is needed in order to assist the citizens and businesses in the Village of Pemberville by getting a full explanation on the reasons for the escalating natural gas costs.

Passed: March 7, 2006


Mayor

Attest:


Village Clerk

MICHAEL J. MARSH
VILLAGE LEGAL COUNSEL

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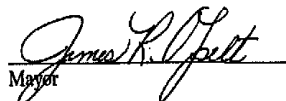
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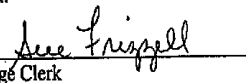
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