



REGIONAL GROWTH PARTNERSHIP
Building a High-Performance Economy

**Regional Growth Partnership
Interim Board of Directors**

**Resolution in Support of the Merger
of the
University of Toledo and the Medical University of Ohio**

WHEREAS, the Regional Growth Partnership recognizes that having quality, nationally competitive institutions of higher education in Northwest Ohio is critical to the future economic growth of the region; and

WHEREAS, the combination of the University of Toledo and Medical University of Ohio will create a stronger institution of higher learning and the third largest university in the state of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, this combination will enhance the capacity to recruit students, obtain research funding and recruit top-level faculty; and

WHEREAS, the combination will increase shared and collaborative research which will generate new commercialization and business opportunities in the region;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Regional Growth Partnership Interim Board of Directors endorses and supports the proposed merger of the University of Toledo and the Medical University of Ohio.

Approved on the 12th of December, 2005

**William J. Brennan, Chairman
Regional Growth Partnership**