RESOLUTION NO. R2013-09

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO REGISTER THE CITY OF GALLIPOLIS AS A PARTICIPANT IN THE 2014 AMERICA IN BLOOM CONTEST

WHEREAS, the City of Gallipolis wishes to register to participate in the 2014 America in Bloom contest; and

WHEREAS, the registration must be submitted by February 28, 2014; and

WHEREAS, if the application is submitted by December 31, 2013, the "Best Ideas" book (\$50 retail value) will be included free with the registration fee: and

WHEREAS, the City of Gallipolis first participated in the 2006 America in Bloom program, received the Ball Horticultural Award for floral display for first place in overall competition, and has participated and received recognition in each year since; and

WHEREAS, in 2012 the City of Gallipolis received second in overall competition in Best Hanging Baskets; was nominated for their efforts in Heritage Preservation; and received a 3 Bloom rating under the revised rating system; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 the City of Gallipolis received first in overall competition in Floral Display and first in Best Hanging Baskets, received special mention for Overall Impression and received Circle of Champion recognition for winning three major awards in the competition (only 10 other participants have received this rating); was rated 3rd in their population category under 4,000; and received a 3 Bloom rating; and

WHEREAS, the America in Bloom program has a positive effect on the community by promoting community cooperation, enhancing the community's aesthetics and promoting tourism.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Gallipolis, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: That the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to register the City of Gallipolis as a participant in the 2014 America in Bloom contest.

SECTION 2: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect at the earliest period of time allowed by law.

PASSED: November 5, 2013

ATTEST:

Clerk of the City Commission

Annette M. Landers

President of the City Commission

James Jay-Cremeens

The foregoing Resolution is hereby approved as to form according to City Charter.

Gallipolis City Solicitor Adam R. Salisbury