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APPROVAL—RESERVOIR LAND LEASE TO LAND IN RICH-MOND TOWNSHIP, ASHTABULA COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 18, 1936.

HON. L. WOODDELL, Conservation Commissioner, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination and approval a lease executed by the state of Ohio by you as Conservation Commissioner as agent of the state and of the Conservation Council pursuant to the authority of a resolution duly adopted by the Conservation Council authorizing and directing the execution of this lease.

By this lease, which is one for a stated term of fifteen years, there is leased and demised to the Ashtabula County Fish and Game Protective Association the right to occupy and use for club house and private docklanding purposes a parcel of land owned and held by the state adjacent to Pymatuning Reservoir in Richmond Township, Ashtabula County, Ohio. This parcel of land, which is a part of Lot No. 79 in said township, is more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the northwest corner of Lot No. 79, Town 10 North, Range 1 West, Richmond Township, Ashtabula County; thence easterly along the center line of the road between Lots Nos. 62 and 79, 1096 feet to a point that marks the true place of beginning; thence South, 300 feet; thence east, 166 feet; thence North, 300 feet, to the center line of the above highway; thence west along the center line of said highway, 166 feet, to the true place of beginning and containing, 1.25 acres of land, more or less, being known as the "Lee tract."

This lease is one executed on behalf of the state of Ohio as the owner of the property, by the Conservation Council pursuant to the general authority conferred upon the Conservation Council as to the lease of state lands other than canal lands, public works and institutional lands, unler the provisions of section 472-1, General Code. Upon examination of this lease, I find that the same has been properly executed by the state acting through you as Conservation Commissioner as the agent of the state and of the Conservation Council, and by the lessee therein named acting by the hand of its President pursuant to the authority conferred upon such officer by a resolution duly adopted by the Ashtabula-County Fish and Game Protective Association under date of July 6, 1936.

The only question of serious import with respect to this lease arises

out of the fact that the only annual rental of a monetary nature provided for therein is the nominal sum of one dollar. It appears further in this connection that a part of the consideration for the execution of this lease to the lessee above named is the aid and assistance which the association and its members are to give to your department in feeding and in otherwise protecting wildlife in and upon the Pymatuning Reservoir and the lands of the state adjacent thereto, and the aid and assistance which they are to render in the enforcement of laws relating to the protection of wildlife on this reservoir and adjacent lands. This is stated in the lease as a valuable consideration for the execution of the lease. However, the same is therein stated in such an abbreviated way that it will be advisable for you to secure from the association named as the lessee in this lease a definite agreement with respect to the matters above indicated. With this suggestion the lease is approved by me, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the lease and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL—BONDS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO, \$17,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 18, 1936.

Retirement Board, State Teachers Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio.

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APPROVAL—BONDS OF CANTON TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, STARK COUNTY, OHIO, \$115,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 18, 1936.

Retirement Board, State Teachers Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio.