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APPROVAL, BONDS OF MILTON TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, MAHONING COUNTY, OHIO—\$2,100.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 10, 1933.

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

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APPROVAL, LEASE TO CANAL LAND IN WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO, FOR THE RIGHT TO OCCUPY AND USE FOR FISH PROPAGATION PURPOSES.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 10, 1933.

HON. T. S. BRINDLE, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—You have submitted for my examination and approval a certain Canal Land Lease in triplicate executed by you in your official capacity on behalf of the State of Ohio to the Division of Conservation of the Department of Agriculture. By this lease which is one for a stated term of fifteen years and which provides for an annual rental of \$24, there is demised and granted to the Division of Conservation the right to occupy and use for the propagation of fish that portion of the abandoned Miami and Eric Canal property, including the full width of the bed and banks thereof, located in Washington Township, Miami County, Ohio and described as follows:

Beginning at the south line of the flood gates of said canal at Station 7741 plus 86, of the H. E. Whitlock survey of said canal property, and running thence southerly with the lines of said canal property, three thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight (3,778') feet, more or less, as measured along the transit lines of the said Whitlock survey and the S. A. Buchanan Survey of said canal property, through the city of Piqua, to the north corporation line of the city of Piqua, and containing eleven (11) acres, more or less.

It appears that no application or applications have been made for the lease of this property or any part thereof for park purposes, either under the Farnsworth Act, 114 O. L., 518, or the DeArmond Act, 114 O. L., 546, 549, and that you are authorized therefore, to execute the lease in question under Section 19 of the Act of the 89th General Assembly, last above mentioned.

Upon examination of the lease, I find that the same has been legally and properly executed by you, in your official capacity and by the Division of Conservation, acting by and through the Conservation Commissioner pursuant to the authority granted to him for the purpose, by the Conservation Council. I likewise find upon examination of the provisions of this lease and of the conditions and restrictions therein contained, that the same are in conformity with the