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BASIC AUDIT REPORT

Jackson Township Monroe County P.O. Box 502 Sardis, Ohio 43946

We have completed certain procedures in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code § 117.01(G) to the accounting records and related documents of the Jackson Township, Monroe County (the Township), for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

Our procedures were designed solely to satisfy the audit requirements of Ohio Rev. Code § 117.11(A). Because our procedures were not designed to opine on the Township's financial statements, we did not follow *generally accepted auditing standards*. We do not provide any assurance on the Township's financial statements, transactions or balances for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

The Township's management is responsible for preparing and maintaining its accounting records and related documents. Our responsibility under Ohio Rev. Code § 117.11(A) is to examine, analyze and inspect these records and documents.

Based on the results of our procedures, we found the following significant compliance or accounting issues to report.

Current Year Observations

- 1. We noted the Township did not adopt a formal records retention schedule. Ohio Rev. Code § 149.43(B)(2) states, in part, a public office shall have available a copy of its current records retention schedule at a location readily available to the public. Ohio Rev. Code § 149.381 states, in part, when a records commission has approved a schedule of records retention, the records commission shall send that schedule of records retention to the Ohio History Connection for its review. Upon completion of its review, the Ohio History Connection shall forward the schedule of records retention to the Auditor of State for the Auditor of State's approval or disapproval. The Township should adopt a formal records retention schedule and the records commission should send it to the Ohio History Connection for review. Our prior Agreed-Upon Procedures also reported this deficiency.
- 2. We noted one Trustee did not attend public records training for his term ended December 31, 2023. Ohio Rev. Code §§ 109.43(B) and 149.43(E)(1) require all state and local elected officials, or their designees, to attend 3 hours of training on Ohio's Public Records Laws during each term of office. The training received must be certified by the Ohio Attorney General. Proof of completion of training must include documentation either from the Attorney General's Office or from another entity certified by the Attorney General to provide the training to the elected official or his/her designee. The elected officials or their designees should attend public records training during their term of office.

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Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

September 5, 2024



JACKSON TOWNSHIP

MONROE COUNTY

AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



Certified for Release 9/19/2024

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