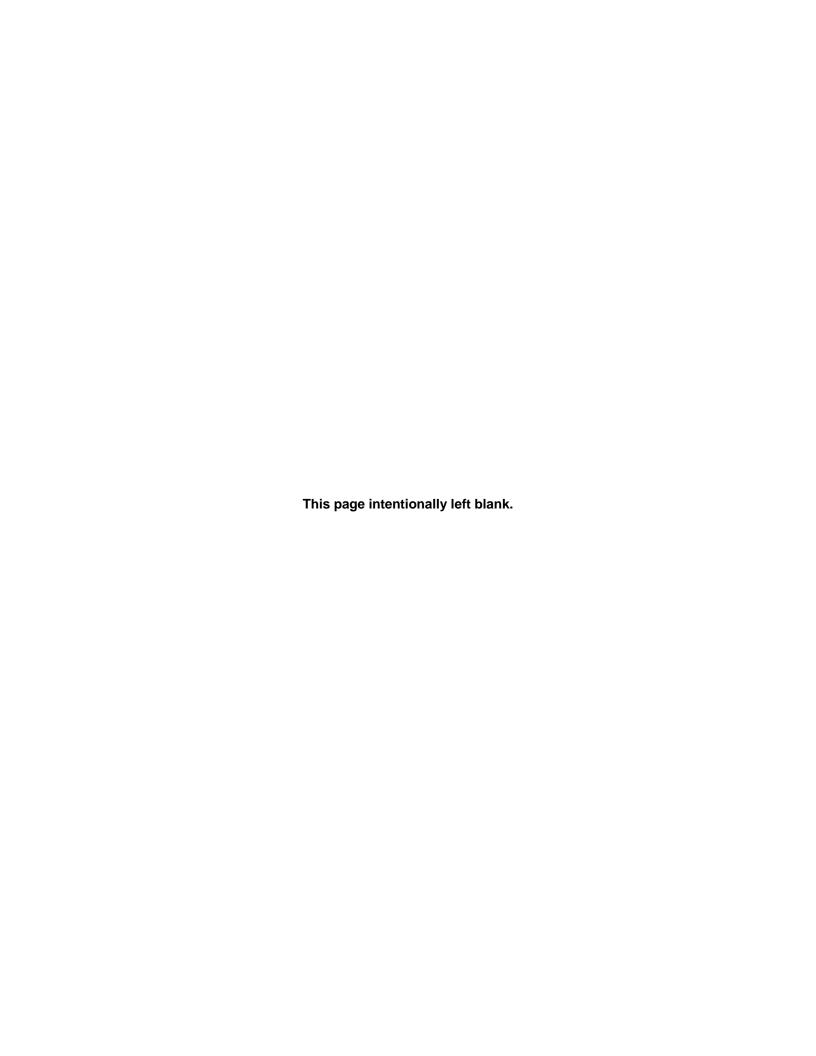




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Greenmound Union Cemetery District Darke County 101 Railroad Street P.O. Box 314 New Madison, Ohio 45346

#### To the Board of Trustees:

As you are aware, the Auditor of State's Office (AOS) must modify the *Independent Accountants' Report* we provide on your financial statements due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). While AOS does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Our Report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the amounts the statements present are misstated under the non-GAAP basis you follow. The AOS report also includes an opinion on the financial statements you prepared using the cash basis and financial statement format the AOS permits.

**Betty Montgomery** Auditor of State

Betty Montgomery

May 2, 2005

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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Greenmound Union Cemetery District Darke County 101 Railroad Street P.O. Box 314 New Madison, Ohio 45346

#### To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Greenmound Union Cemetery District, Darke County, (the Cemetery), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Cemetery's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Cemetery prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and GAAP, we presume they are material.

Revisions to GAAP would require the Cemetery to reformat its financial statement presentation and make other changes effective for the year ended December 31, 2004. While the Cemetery does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to GAAP disclosure and to the new GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require governments to reformat their statements. The Cemetery has elected not to reformat its statements. Since this Cemetery does not use GAAP to measure financial statement amounts, the following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

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In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the year ended December 31, 2004, do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Cemetery as of December 31, 2004, or their changes in financial position for the year then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of Greenmound Union Cemetery District, Darke County, as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The aforementioned revision to generally accepted accounting principles also requires the Cemetery to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2004. The Cemetery has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 2, 2005, on our consideration of the Cemetery's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

**Betty Montgomery** Auditor of State

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May 2, 2005

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

| Cash Receipts:                            |          |
|---|----------|
| Local Taxes                               | \$4,909  |
| Intergovernmental                         | 661      |
| Cemetery Fees                             | 11,896   |
| Sale of Lots                              | 2,300    |
| Interest                                  | 283      |
| Miscellaneous                             | 294      |
| Total Cash Receipts                       | 20,343   |
| Cash Disbursements:                       |          |
| Current:                                  |          |
| Salaries                                  | 10,477   |
| Supplies                                  | 1,812    |
| Contracts Service                         | 3,515    |
| Repair and Maintenance                    | 444      |
| Miscellaneous                             | 904      |
| Total Disbursements                       | 17 150   |
| Total disbursements                       | 17,152   |
| Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements | 3,191    |
| Fund Cash Balances, January 1             | 24,499   |
| Fund Cash Balances, December 31           | \$27,690 |

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

| Cash Receipts: Local Taxes Intergovernmental Cemetery Fees Sale of Lots Interest | \$4,826<br>562<br>12,434<br>3,310<br>467 |
|--|--|
| Total Cash Receipts  | 21,599                                   |
| Cash Disbursements: Current:   |  |
| Salaries   | 10,922                                   |
| Supplies Contracts Services  | 1,722<br>3,411                           |
| Repair and Maintenance   | 3,411                                    |
| Miscellaneous  | 647                                      |
| Capital Outlay   | 2,244                                    |
| Total Disbursements  | 18,958                                   |
| Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements  | 2,641                                    |
| Fund Cash Balances, January 1  | 21,858                                   |
| Fund Cash Balances, December 31  | \$24,499                                 |

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Description of the Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges for the Greenmound Union Cemetery, Darke County, (the Cemetery) as a body corporate and politic. The Village of New Madison and Harrison Township appoint a three-member Board of Trustees to direct cemetery operations. The Cemetery receives property tax revenue from residents of both the Village and the Township for its operation and upkeep. The accompanying financial statements present this funding as Local Taxes. The Cemetery provides grounds maintenance, opening and closing of graves, and the sale of grave lots.

The Cemetery's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Cemetery is financially accountable.

#### B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. This basis recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

#### C. Cash and Investments

Certificates of Deposit are valued at cost.

#### D. Fund Accounting

The Cemetery uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Cemetery classifies its fund as the following type:

#### **General Fund**

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It presents all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

#### E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund annually.

#### 1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund level of control and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Board annually approves an appropriation measure and any subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003 (Continued)

#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1.

#### 3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Cemetery to reserve (encumber) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2004 and 2003 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

#### F. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The financial statements report acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment as capital outlay disbursements when paid. The financial statements do not report these items as assets.

#### 2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Cemetery maintains a cash and investments pool. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 follows:

|                         | 2004     | 2003     |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|
| Demand deposits         | \$14,333 | \$11,358 |
| Certificates of Deposit | 13,357   | 13,141   |
| Total deposits          | \$27,690 | \$24,499 |

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation,

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2004 and 2003 follows:

| 2004 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts |          |          |          |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|
| Budgeted Actual                   |          |          |          |  |  |
| Fund Type                         | Receipts | Receipts | Variance |  |  |
| General                           | \$21,116 | \$20,343 | (\$773)  |  |  |

| 2004 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures |  |           |              |          |
|---|--|-----------|--------------|----------|
| Appropriation Budgetary                               |  |           |              |          |
| Fund Type   |  | Authority | Expenditures | Variance |
| General   |  | \$23,160  | \$17,152     | \$6.008  |

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003 (Continued)

#### 3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY (Continued)

| 2003 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts |          |             |                 |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------|-------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Budgeted Actual                   |          |             |                 |  |  |
| Fund Type                         | Receipts | Receipts    | <b>Variance</b> |  |  |
| General                           | \$15,00  | 00 \$21,599 | \$6,599         |  |  |

| 2003 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures |  |           |              |          |  |
|---|--|-----------|--------------|----------|--|
| Appropriation Budgetary                               |  |           |              |          |  |
| Fund Type   |  | Authority | Expenditures | Variance |  |
| General   |  | \$19,410  | \$18,958     | \$452    |  |

#### 4. PROPERTY TAX

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the Board. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. The State pays Homestead and rollback amounts, reported in the accompanying financial statements as Intergovernmental Receipts. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payment, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

The County is responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Cemetery.

#### 5. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

The Cemetery's employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as the Ohio Revised Code prescribes.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2004 and 2003, OPERS employee members contributed 8.5 percent of their gross salaries. The Cemetery contributes an amount equal to 13.55 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Cemetery has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2004.

#### 6. RISK MANAGEMENT

#### **Commercial Insurance**

The Cemetery has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

Comprehensive property and general liability;

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## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the Greenmound Union Cemetery District, Darke County, (the Cemetery), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, and have issued our report thereon dated May 2, 2005, wherein we noted that the Cemetery followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Cemetery's internal control over financial reporting to determine our auditing procedures to express our opinion on the financial statements and not to opine on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts material to the financial statements we audited may occur and not be timely detected by employees when performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider material weaknesses. In a separate letter to the Cemetery's management dated May 2, 2005, we reported other matters involving internal control over financial reporting we did not deem reportable conditions.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Cemetery's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matters that we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2004-001. In a separate letter to the Cemetery's management dated May 2, 2005, we reported other matters related to noncompliance we deemed immaterial.

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We intend this report solely for the information and use of the management and Board of Trustees. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

**Betty Montgomery** Auditor of State

Betty Montgomery

May 2, 2005

#### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003

## 1. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2004-001**

#### **MATERIAL NONCOMPLIANCE**

Ohio Admin. Code, Section 117-2-02 (C)(1), states all local public offices should integrate the budgetary accounts, at legal level of control or lower, into the financial accounting system. The Cemetery ledgers did not indicate the balances of estimated resources available or the balances of remaining appropriations.

The failure to maintain balances of available resources and appropriations could lead to deficit spending and deficit fund balances. In addition, the failure to maintain an appropriation ledger does not allow the Clerk to track remaining appropriations by posting obligations from the purchase orders to the ledger.

The Cemetery should obtain the required revenue and appropriation ledgers to provide the Trustees with timely information as to budgeted receipts (estimated resources) versus actual receipts and budgeted expenditures (appropriations) versus actual expenditures. This will also allow the Clerk to examine the remaining uncommitted balances of appropriations prior to certifying the availability of funds on purchase orders.



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## GREENMOUND UNION CEMETERY DISTRICT DARKE COUNTY

#### **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JUNE 9, 2005