



TED STRICKLAND
GOVERNOR
STATE OF OHIO

**CERTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 1511 OF
THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT
(Small Cities Community Development Block Grant)**

Pursuant to Section 1511 of The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 11-5 (Feb. 17, 2009) ("ARRA"), I, Ted Strickland, as Ohio's Chief Executive Officer, certify that the infrastructure investments to be made by the State of Ohio with amounts appropriated by ARRA under the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and identified in the *Proposed Amendment to the Ohio FY 2008 Ohio Consolidated Plan in Accordance with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009* dated June 29, 2009 (the "Proposed Amended Plan") have received the full review and vetting required by law, and I have determined that such investment is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars. Specific information concerning each such investment, including a description of the investment, the estimated total cost and the amount of ARRA funds to be used is set forth in Attachment A to this certification.

As to any infrastructure investments that may be made by the State of Ohio with amounts appropriated by ARRA under the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant which are not yet identified as of June 29, 2009, I certify that all such infrastructure investments will receive the full review and vetting required by law, and I will assure that any such infrastructure investment will be an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars. Specific information concerning each such investment, including a description of the investment, the estimated total cost and the amount of ARRA funds to be used will be made available to the public at the website addresses identified below.

I further certify that this certification will be posted on the State of Ohio's website, Recovery.ohio.gov, and the website of the Ohio Department of Development, development.ohio.gov, and linked to the federal website: Recovery.gov.

I understand that the State of Ohio may not receive ARRA infrastructure investment funding unless this certification is made and posted.

June 26, 2009
Date

Ted Strickland
Ted Strickland, Governor
State of Ohio