



GREATER LAPORTE CHAMBER *of* COMMERCE

Regional Development Authority (RDA)

Issue: The 2005 Indiana State Legislature passed a bill that authorizes the creation of a regional economic development organization called the Regional Economic Development Authority (RDA). This organization is comprised of business representatives from Lake and Porter Counties. At the present time, discussions are currently taking place that would include LaPorte County as an additional member of the RDA.

Position: Because the Greater LaPorte Chamber of Commerce is supportive of the regional concept to economic development, and after a long range plan is developed by LaPorte County Officials determining the details of LaPorte County's inclusion as a member of the Northwest Indiana RDA, The Greater LaPorte Chamber of Commerce supports LaPorte County's inclusion into the Northwest Indiana RDA.

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