FLEISCHMANNIA INCARNATA (Walt.) King and H.E. Robins Pink Thoroughwort

FAMILY: Asteraceae

SYNONYMS: Eupatorium incarnatum (Walt.)

- HABIT: Herbaceous, freely branched, weak-stemmed perennial, often reclining on other vegetation, stems 5-15 dm long; flowering September-October.
- SIMILAR SPECIES: This plant, with its pink-colored flowers, is easily confused with *Eupatorium coelestinum. E. coelestinum* does not have such a sprawling nature, however, and generally has blue flowers.

TOTAL RANGE: se. VA to FL, w. to WV, s. IN, s. MO, OK, TX, and Mexico.

STATE RANGE (as of 2008): Post-1980 records are from Gallia and Lawrence counties.

HABITAT: In Ohio, most material has been collected on a variety of well-drained acidic soils in open areas. Most manuals list moist woods as a habitat type, but this is apparently not the situation in southeastern Ohio.

HAZARDS: Unknown.

RECOVERY POTENTIAL: Presumed good due to its generalized habitat.

INVENTORY GUIDELINES: Mature flowering material is needed for identification.

COMMENTS: This species may be relatively common in a rather limited area in extreme southeastern Ohio, but is apparently absent from the state.

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