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THE HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2016 AT 6:30 P.M., IN THE PERSONNEL CONFERENCE ROOM (D & E), HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING, 5303 S. CEDAR, LANSING.

Agenda

Call to Order

Approval of the [February 1, 2016](#) Minutes

Additions to the Agenda

Limited Public Comment

1. Interview - Senior Citizen Advisory Board
2. Community Mental Health - Resolution Authorizing a Contract with the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties (CMH) for Health Services [Millage Eligible Services](#)
3. Health Department
 - a. Resolution to Accept U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration Health Center [Cluster Program Funds](#)
 - b. Resolution Honoring [Teresa Byrne](#)
 - c. Resolution Honoring [Barb Mastin](#)
4. Board of Commissioners - Resolution in Support of Shutting Down [Enbridge Line 5](#) Under the Straits of Mackinac

Announcements

Public Comment

Adjournment

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HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

February 1, 2016

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Members Present: McGrain, Banas, Tennis, Nolan, Hope, and Case-Naeyaert

Members Absent: Koenig

Others Present: Jared Cypher, Linda Vail, Philip Bergquist, June Morse, Henry Rojas, and others

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson McGrain at 6:33 p.m. in the Personnel Conference Room “D&E” of the Human Services Building, 5303 S. Cedar Street, Lansing, Michigan.

Approval of the January 25, 2016 Minutes

MOVED BY COMM. BANAS, SUPPORTED BY COMM. HOPE, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 25, 2016 MEETING.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioner Koenig.

Additions to the Agenda

5. Update Regarding the Contract with Ingham Health Plan (IHP)

Limited Public Comment

None.

1. Interviews
 - a. Senior Citizen Advisory Board

June Morse interviewed for appointment to the Senior Citizen Advisory Board

- b. Community Health Center Board

Phillip Bergquist interviewed for appointment to the Community Health Center Board

MOVED BY COMM. CASE-NAEYAERT, SUPPORTED BY COMM. TENNIS, TO ADOPT A CONSENT AGENDA OF THE FOLLOWING ACTION ITEMS:

2. Facilities - Resolution Amending the Agreement with Hobbs+Black to Provide Architectural and Engineering (A&E) Services for Health Department Renovations to the Human Services Building
3. Health Department

- b. Resolution to Authorize an Agreement with TransFirst as a Credit/Debit Card Processing Agent for Ingham County Health Department
- c. Resolution to Authorize Amendment #2 to the 2015-2016 Comprehensive Agreement with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioner Koenig.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioner Koenig.

- 3. Health Department
 - a. Code-a-Thon Prize Memo

MOVED BY COMM. TENNIS, SUPPORTED BY COMM. HOPE, TO APPROVE THE REQUEST TO GRANT THE AWARD CHECK TO MR. WOOSTER.

Commissioner Banas thanked the employee for speaking up and identifying the fact that he received the money as an employee of Ingham County.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Absent: Commissioner Koenig.

- d. Presentation: Ingham County Health Facilities and Clinics

Linda Vail, Health Officer, presented a map of the Ingham County Health Facilities and Clinics throughout the county.

- e. Presentation: Ingham County Health Department Activities Regarding Lead and Other Environmental Toxins

Ms. Vail gave a presentation regarding lead and the County's role in monitoring children's lead levels in their blood.

Commissioner Banas asked how to prevent lead expose in the County's housing stock.

Ms. Vail answered that certification from landlords showing that the water had some sort of risk assessment could prevent more lead exposure.

Commissioner Banas asked if there was any current legal requirement for notifying homeowners or tenants about the risk of lead in a house.

Ms. Vail answered that beyond the disclosure statement when purchasing a home, there was none.

There was a discussion regarding lead exposure in Lansing's housing stock.

Chairperson McGrain asked how many people in the Health Department were working on lead safety.

Ms. Vail answered that no employee was working full time on lead safety, but several employees' jobs within the Health Department involved lead safety.

Commissioner Case-Naeyaert stated that radon had to be remediated if tested positive in a home.

4. Discussion - Mental Health Services at the Ingham County Jail

Jared Cypher, Deputy Controller, provided an update on Psychiatric Services at the Jail.

5. Update Regarding the Contract with Ingham Health Plan (IHP)

Chairperson McGrain provided a status update on the contract with IHP.

Commissioner Nolan stated that she did not have confidence in going with IHP and that she would like to see the health plan go in-house. She further stated that she would appreciate a two track process: to continue using IHP and being proactive in seeing what a revised, in-house health plan would look like.

Commissioner Case-Naeyaert stated that she felt the County had been played, and that IHP was pushing the County as far as they could because they knew that the County would not do anything about it. She further stated that what they had done was disrespectful and that it would not change.

Commissioner Tennis stated that he would like the County attorneys to talk to IHP's attorneys to learn more about IHP's concerns. He further stated that he wanted to learn what the facts were before taking any action.

Commissioner Case-Naeyaert stated that she was unsure what the issues were, but the facts were that the contract was not signed, no one had been notified of any issues, and they had had numerous months to clear things up.

Commissioner Hope asked when the contract was presented.

Mr. Cypher answered November 30, 2015.

Commissioner Nolan stated that IHP's conduct did not make any business sense.

Chairperson McGrain stated that the importance of getting the contract signed needed to be emphasized to getting the problem solved.

Commissioner Hope asked what arrangement was in place during the interim period.

Mr. Cypher answered that the previous contract ended December 31, 2015 and that there was currently nothing in place as there was no signed contract.

Commissioner Nolan stated that she would appreciate the Committee coming to a consensus to figure out how the health plan might be handled in-house by the County.

Commissioner Banas stated that it was disappointing to hear that IHP had not communicated earlier. She stated that it was puzzling how long it took them to respond considering that there had been a breakdown of trust in the past year and a half. She further stated that in terms of looking at alternative health care options, it was valuable to look at the future health care needs of the County and that it needed to be examined in the future.

There was a discussion regarding communication with IHP.

Commissioner Case-Naeyaert asked what the time frame was.

Chairperson McGrain stated that if the Board chose to, it had the right to pass a resolution that would cut out January from the contract.

Commissioner Hope stated that the delay should be looked at further before any action was taken.

There was a discussion regarding membership numbers and the terms of the IHP.

Chairperson McGrain stated that the discussion would be added to the agenda for the next meeting. He further stated that the urgency needed to be expressed to staff.

Commissioner Case-Naeyaert stated that even if the contract was signed, it would still leave January hanging.

Chairperson McGrain stated that the contract was for the calendar year, so nothing would need to be added to it. He then asked Mr. Cypher to communicate the urgency to the attorneys.

Announcements

None.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

FEBRUARY 22, 2016 HUMAN SERVICES AGENDA STAFF REVIEW SUMMARY

ACTION ITEMS:

The Deputy Controller is recommending approval of the following resolutions

2. *Community Mental Health – Resolution Authorizing a Contract with the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties (CMH) for Health Services Millage Eligible Services*

This resolution authorizes a contract not to exceed \$1,218,286 with CMH for health services millage eligible services provided for the period of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016. These services include:

- A free-standing (outside of hospital grounds) 24/7 psychiatric crisis services and inpatient pre-screening unit
- An assessment and referral team
- Urgent care and intensive homebased treatment program for at-risk children, youth, and their families
- A spectrum of community-based treatment teams for vulnerable populations
- Psychiatric inpatient claims on individuals admitted directly from the jail to psychiatric inpatient facilities
- Psychiatric care and outpatient therapy for children and adults with moderate mental health needs

3. *Health Department*

a. *Resolution to Accept U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration Health Center Cluster Program Funds*

This resolution authorizes acceptance of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Health Center Cluster Program annual base funding award for the budget period of February 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017 in the amount up to \$2,286,075.

b. *Resolution Honoring Teresa Byrne*

This resolution honors Teresa Byrne for her 21 years of service to Ingham County staff and residents.

c. *Resolution Honoring Barb Mastin*

This resolution honors Barb Mastin for her 18 years of service to Ingham County staff and residents.

4. *Board of Commissioners – Resolution in Support of Shutting Down Enbridge Line 5 under the Straits of Mackinac*

This resolution supports the shut-down of Enbridge Line 5 under the Straights of Mackinac.

OTHER ITEMS:

1. *Interview – Senior Citizen Advisory Board*

Agenda Item 2

TO: Human Services and Finance Committees
FROM: Jared Cypher, Deputy Controller
DATE: February 3, 2016
RE: Health Services Millage Contract with CMH

The 2016 budget contains \$1,218,286 allocated from the health services millage to Community Mental Health (CMH). This resolution authorizes a contract for those funds, to provide various mental health services to millage eligible residents of Ingham County.

More details can be found in the attached proposal from CMH.

Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties
Proposal for the continued use of Ingham County Health Services Millage to close gaps in Ingham
County's behavioral health care system
FY2016

Summary of proposal: This proposal requests:

Continuation of Ingham County Health Services Millage funding, to the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties (CMH), to support a comprehensive package of behavioral healthcare services designed to address the most pressing behavioral healthcare needs in the Ingham County community.

Context: With ongoing experience with the significant State General Fund reduction (2/3 of the funds formerly provided to CMH) and the implementation of the Healthy Michigan Plan, the Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties (CMH) has, at this point, much greater clarity as to the fiscal and service gaps resulting from these changes. This clarity underscores the substantial set of services and persons which are not covered by the Healthy Michigan Plan – costs which must be covered by the scarce State General Fund and local dollars within CMH's budget. Many of these costs are related to the provision of services to persons for whom CMH is the provider and cost underwriter, but who are not eligible for the Healthy Michigan Plan. This group includes those enrolled in Medicare and not eligible for Medicaid, those with "spend down" Medicaid eligibility, and those with chronic and urgent mental health treatment needs (crisis stabilization, day program services, residential care, casemanagement) not covered by their families' commercial coverage.

The services proposed in this document **address longstanding gaps in services and gaps that emerged with the dramatic cut in state General Fund dollars** to this CMH and CMHs across the state.

A. Closing newly emerging gaps in Ingham County's essential behavioral health care services system: These service gaps are the result of the dramatic cut (65%), implemented in April 2014 and expanded in October 2014, in state General Fund dollars to this CMH and CMHs across the state.

The community's free-standing (outside of hospital grounds) 24/7 Psychiatric Crisis Services and Inpatient Pre-Screening Unit: This unit provides around-the-clock access to highly trained behavioral health clinicians who provide: crisis intervention, psychiatric inpatient pre-screening (and funding authorization), short-term stabilization, diversion to appropriate levels of care, housing assistance, and linkages to needed services to adults, children, and adolescents.

The community's Assessment and Referral Team: This unit provides a full bio-psychosocial assessment and a comprehensive behavioral health and ancillary treatment, supports, and referral plan (using person-centered planning methods) for adults who are uninsured.

The community's urgent care and intensive homebased treatment program for at-risk children, youth, and their families: This program works to improve the ability of children and youth, with serious emotional disturbance, to function better at home, in school, in the community, and with peers by providing - primarily in the home, school, and workplace of the families enrolled in this program (with some services provided at CMH offices) - family and individual psychotherapy, psychiatry, nursing, parenting skills, crisis therapeutic group home, training and coaching, school liaison services, and referral network linkages.

A spectrum of community-based treatment teams for vulnerable populations: These multidisciplinary teams, made up of mental health therapists/casemanagers, psychiatrists, nurses, mental health workers/consumer services specialists, and peer support specialists, provide psychotherapy, psychiatry, nursing, and a range of supports to **adults with very high levels of mental health needs, those enrolled in a specialized older adult program, and adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities.**

Psychiatric inpatient care for jail inmates: In addition to the jail-based services, CMH has also paid all psychiatric inpatient claims on individuals admitted directly from the jail to psychiatric inpatient facilities. Given that these claims are paid with State General Fund dollars and given the dramatic cut in this CMH's State General Fund revenues, **CMH is without the funds to continue to pay these psychiatric inpatient costs** and others previously funded by State General Fund dollars.

B. Development of low cost safety net services to meet the needs of the unserved:

Psychiatric care and outpatient therapy for children and adults with moderate mental health needs: This community has long experienced a significant and growing gap in the availability of office-based outpatient psychotherapy for children, adolescents and adults. These services (along with CMH's 24/7 psychiatric crisis services unit) provide the community's mental health safety net.

Cost of proposed services in FY2016: \$1,218,286

Estimated number of Ingham County residents meeting the millage criteria who will be served: 730

Actual Expenses and numbers meeting millage criteria served in FY2015

Actual Expense in FY 2015	\$3,044,637
Actual Billed in FY 2015:	\$2,061,088 (2015 Millage Amount)
FY 15 CMHA-CEI General Fund	\$ 983,549

Actual number of Ingham County residents meeting the millage criteria served: 1,235

Introduced by the Human Services and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH
AUTHORITY OF CLINTON, EATON AND INGHAM COUNTIES (CMH)
FOR HEALTH SERVICES MILLAGE ELIGIBLE SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan dramatically reduced State General Fund payments to CMH in fiscal year 2015; and

WHEREAS, the cut eliminated 67% of the State General Fund dollars to the CMH system; and

WHEREAS, these cuts continue to cause ongoing fiscal and service gaps for CMH; and

WHEREAS, CMH has submitted a proposal to Ingham County to use Health Services Millage dollars to fund essential services and alleviate the cut in State General Fund dollars.

WHEREAS, funds from the health services millage are allocated in the County's 2016 budget for this purpose.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes a contract not to exceed \$1,218,286 with CMH for services provided for the period of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, funds for this contract with CMH will come from the Health Services Millage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, funds will be utilized by CMH for Health Services Millage eligible services including:

- A free-standing (outside of hospital grounds) 24/7 psychiatric crisis services and inpatient pre-screening unit
- An assessment and referral team
- Urgent care and intensive homebased treatment program for at-risk children, youth, and their families
- A spectrum of community-based treatment teams for vulnerable populations
- Psychiatric inpatient claims on individuals admitted directly from the jail to psychiatric inpatient facilities
- Psychiatric care and outpatient therapy for children and adults with moderate mental health needs

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairperson of the Ingham County Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to sign any necessary contract documents on behalf of the County after approval as to form by the County Attorney.

Agenda Item 3a

TO: Human Services Committee
Finance Committee

FROM: Linda S. Vail, MPA, Health Officer

DATE: January 27, 2016

SUBJECT: Resolution to accept U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration Health Center Cluster Program annual base funding award

This resolution authorizes Ingham County Health Department (ICHD) to accept the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Health Center Cluster Program annual base funding award.

Resolutions #11-316, #14-516, and #15-286 allowed ICHD to accept Health Center Cluster Program funds through HRSA for the grant period of November 1, 2010 through January 31, 2016.

Health Center Cluster Program funds allow ICHD to support primary care, dental, mental health, substance abuse and supportive services for Ingham County's low-income, uninsured and medically underserved population through the Ingham Community Health Centers. The base award also includes funding for outreach and enrollment efforts.

ICHD will receive the Health Center Cluster Program annual base funding award for the budget period of February 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017 in the amount up to \$2,286,075.00.

The Ingham County Community Health Center Board has reviewed and recommends the acceptance of the Health Center Cluster Program annual base funding award.

I recommend that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorize the acceptance of the Health Center Cluster Program funds through HRSA for the amount up to \$2,286,075.00 for the period of February 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017.

cc: Eric Thelen, w/ attachment
Barbara Watts Mastin, w/attachment

Introduced by the Human Services and Finance Committees of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION HEALTH CENTER
CLUSTER PROGRAM FUNDS**

WHEREAS, in Resolution #11-316, #14-516, and #15-286 Ingham County Health Department's (ICHD) Community Health Centers accepted Health Center Cluster Program funds through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Resource and Services (HRSA) for the grant period of November 1, 2010 through January 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Health Center Cluster Program funds allow for ICHD to support primary care, dental, mental health, substance abuse and supportive services for Ingham County's low-income, uninsured and medically underserved population through the Ingham Community Health Centers. The base award also includes funding for outreach and enrollment efforts; and

WHEREAS, ICHD will receive the Health Center Cluster Program annual base funding award for the budget period of February 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017 in the amount up to \$2,286,075.00; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Community Health Center Board has reviewed and recommends the acceptance of the annual base funding award; and

WHEREAS, the Health Officer recommends that the Board of Commissioners authorize the acceptance of the Health Center Cluster Program base funding award in the amount up to \$2,286,075.00.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the acceptance of the Health Center Cluster Program base funding award in the amount up to \$2,286,075.00 through HRSA for the budget period of February 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Controller/Administrator is authorized to make any necessary budget adjustments to the Health Department's budget consistent with this resolution.

Agenda Item 3b

TO: Human Services Committee
FROM: Linda S. Vail, MPA, Health Officer
DATE: January 29, 2016
RE: Recommendation to Authorize Resolution Honoring Teresa Byrne

This is a resolution honoring Teresa Byrne for her 21 years of service to Ingham County staff and residents. I recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt the attached resolution.

c: Tracie Bolton w/attachment

Introduced by the Human Services Committee of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION HONORING TERESA BYRNE

WHEREAS, Teresa Byrne began her career with the Ingham County Health Department (ICHD) in 1994 as a Nutritionist working in the Women Infant and Children (WIC) program and Maternal and Infant Support Services (now called the Maternal Infant Health Program/MIHP); and

WHEREAS, in the role of WIC Nutritionist, Teresa was responsible for providing nutrition assessments and counseling, the development of nutrition education curricula, and high risk nutrition counseling for women, infants and children enrolled in WIC; and

WHEREAS, in the role of MIHP Nutritionist, Teresa provided nutrition counseling and education to pregnant women in order to promote changes that increased the likelihood of a healthy infant at birth; and

WHEREAS, Teresa has been a tremendous advocate and resource for thousands of women and children in our community who were at nutritional risk, assisting them in making behavior changes, facilitating referrals to services and supports as needed, and improving their quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Teresa has been a preceptor for and taken great pride in sharing her knowledge with the students preparing to become registered dietitians; and

WHEREAS, Teresa has been a highly skilled, productive, committed, and passionate dietitian whose career path reflects her longstanding commitment to public health and health promotion; and

WHEREAS, through years of dedicated work and supportive enthusiasm Teresa has built strong relationships with her colleagues and will be greatly missed by those who have had an opportunity to work with her.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners hereby honors Teresa Byrne for her 21 years of dedicated service to the community, and for the contributions she has made to the Ingham County Health Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board wishes her continued success in all of her future endeavors.

Agenda Item 3c

TO: Human Services Committee
FROM: Linda S. Vail, MPA, Health Officer
DATE: January 29, 2016
RE: Recommendation to Authorize Resolution Honoring Barb Mastin

Attached is a resolution honoring Barb Mastin for her 18 years of service to Ingham County staff and residents. I recommend that the Board of Commissioners adopt the attached resolution.

Introduced by the Human Services Committee of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION HONORING BARB MASTIN

WHEREAS, Barb Mastin, MA began her career with the Ingham County Health Department (ICHD) in 1998, when she began mentoring troubled students at the Otto Community Health Center as an Assistant Social Worker; and

WHEREAS, in 2002 Barb was promoted to Lead Social Worker at Otto Community Health Center; and

WHEREAS, in 2004 Barb was promoted to Health Center Administrator, initially overseeing both Otto Community Health Center and Willow Health Center, and later overseeing Adult Health, Adult Dental, and Healthy Smiles; and

WHEREAS, in 2007 Barb was promoted to Chief Operating Officer of the Ingham Community Health Centers; and

WHEREAS, in December 2013 Barb was promoted to Deputy Health Officer/ Executive Director of the Community Health Centers; and

WHEREAS, during Barb's tenure as both the Chief Operating Officer and the Executive Director, in response to the needs of the community, she has worked to expand the health services offered by ICHD in many ways, including the addition of the Mobile Dental Center, renovations to the Willow Health Center, the creation of Health Centers at Eastern and Sexton High Schools, and the establishment of the Birch Health Center co-located within Community Mental Health; and

WHEREAS, Barb combined two existing health centers into the newly renovated River Oak Health Center and was crucial in the successful establishment of Forest Community Health Center in order to maximize resources and improve the quality and efficiency of health care provided to patients; and

WHEREAS, Barb also successfully led the Ingham Community Health Centers through their implementation of electronic health records, assuring readiness for ICD10 implementation and meaningful use; and

WHEREAS, Barb was instrumental in Patient Centered Medical Home Certification being awarded to several of the Ingham Community Health Centers; and

WHEREAS, Barb has mentored many staff members, always emphasizing the importance of the Community Health Centers and their role in serving the health of the public; and

WHEREAS, Barb's passion, dedication, and commitment to the patients served by the Ingham Community Health Centers has inspired her colleagues and contributed to a legacy of improved access to health care in Ingham County.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners hereby honors Barb Mastin for her 18 years of dedicated service to the community, and for her dedication and commitment to improving the services that are provided through ICHD's Community Health Centers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board wishes her continued success in all of her future endeavors.

Introduced by the Human Services Committee of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SHUTTING DOWN ENBRIDGE LINE 5
UNDER THE STRAITS OF MACKINAC**

WHEREAS, Line 5 is a set of twin, 62-year-old pipelines owned by Enbridge that carry light crude oil and natural gas under the Straits of Mackinac; and

WHEREAS, the currents in the Straits of Mackinac at peak volumetric transport can be more than 10 times greater than the flow of Niagara Falls and switch bi-directionally from east to west every few days, and according to a 2014 University of Michigan study are the “worst possible place” for an oil spill in the Great Lakes; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes contain 20 percent of the world’s fresh, available, surface water and are a drinking water source for over 35 million people; and

WHEREAS, one out of every five jobs in Michigan is linked to the high quality and quantity of fresh water in the Great Lakes; and

WHEREAS, tourism is one of Michigan’s largest income industries bringing in billions of travelers dollars spent each year; and

WHEREAS, agriculture, fisheries, shipping and industry depend on the health of the Great Lakes; and

WHEREAS, in 2009 the Great Lakes were linked to over 1.5 million jobs, with Michigan accounting for 35 percent of those jobs; and

WHEREAS, Enbridge has a shaky track record that includes 1,244 reportable spills, leaks and releases from 1996 to 2013; and

WHEREAS, Enbridge was in violation for their spacing requirements of its 1953 easement for Line 5 in 2014 and were responsible for a pinhole leak in a section of the pipeline north of the Straits in December 2014; and

WHEREAS, Enbridge was responsible for one of the worst and most expensive oils spills in U.S. history when Line 6b ruptured near Kalamazoo in 2010 allowing almost 1 million gallons of tar sands oil to leak for 17 hours before shutting down the line; and

WHEREAS, corrosion is the number one reason that pipelines fail; and

WHEREAS, Line 5 was built before the Great Lakes Submerged Lands Act was adopted so it didn’t have to obtain a permit and ensure that the pipeline wouldn’t pose a threat to the waters or the public’s use of the waters; and

WHEREAS, Michigan’s Attorney General Bill Schuette has stated (in regards to Line 5) that the “pipeline wouldn’t be built today” and that “the pipeline’s days are numbered”; and

WHEREAS, the Coast Guard Commandant testified before congress in 2015 that the Coast Guard would be unable to respond effectively to an open water oil spill in the heart of the Great Lakes; and

WHEREAS, there is no plan for how to recover oil if there was a leak during the winter when the lakes are covered with ice; and

WHEREAS, as Michiganders we have a responsibility to be wise stewards of the waters of our state for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, protection of Michigan's water supplies and resources is better accomplished by prevention of contamination and environmental degradation, rather than attempting to clean up contamination and restore degraded environments after the fact.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners supports stopping the transportation of oil under the Great Lakes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners supports shutting down Line 5 and the flow of oil under the Great Lakes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners supports H.R. 182 and C.R. 15 introduced by State Representatives Sarah Roberts and Jeff Irwin calling on Governor Rick Snyder and Attorney General Bill Schuette to shut down Line 5.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners will send a letter to Governor Rick Snyder, Attorney General Bill Schuette, our State Representatives, State Senators and U.S. Senators calling on them to take swift action to shut down Line 5.