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May 13, 2021

Clerk Aileen Dickson 500 W Big Beaver Rd. Troy, MI 48084-5285

Dear Clerk Dickson,

At the request of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, enclosed please find your certified copy(s) of the Miscellaneous Resolution(s) #21133 entitled Board of Commissioners – Opposing Michigan Legislation to Extend Hours for On-Premises Alcohol Sales adopted by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners on April 29, 2021.

Sincerely,

Joseph J. Rozell, CERA Director of Elections County of Oakland

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTION #21133

BY:-Gommissioner-Bob-Hoffman, District #2-

IN RE: BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS - OPPOSING MICHIGAN LEGISLATION TO EXTEND HOURS FOR ON-PREMISES ALCOHOL SALES

To the Oakland County Board of Commissioners

Chairperson, Ladies and Gentlemen:

WHEREAS on February 3, 2021, House Bill 4115 was introduced which seeks to amend the Michigan Liquor Control Code to allow the legislative body of a city, village, or township to adopt a resolution to allow on-premises liquor licenses to sell alcoholic liquor between 2:00 a.m. and 4:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS on March 18, 2021, it narrowly passed the State House and it was referred to the Senate Committee on Regulatory Reform, where it awaits a hearing; and

WHEREAS according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), about 55% of fatal crashes involving alcohol-impaired drivers occur between midnight and 3:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS expanding the hours during which alcohol can be served in bars and restaurants would likely exacerbate the occurrence of DUI-related crashes as a consequence of extended closing times and would reasonably be anticipated to increase related injuries by as much as 11%; and

WHEREAS there is a strong possibility that a bar or restaurant in a community that opts in to late night alcohol sales may become a "magnet," especially if surrounding communities do not opt in, resulting in consumers driving greater distances and through multiple jurisdictions to late-night establishments and putting people at risk as they drive longer distances home; and

WHEREAS there were bills unsuccessfully introduced in the past but they typically included a sunset (expiration) date to allow further study of the effects of late-night liquor sales before making the policy permanent; and

WHEREAS a sunset would be appropriate if the bill is primarily intended as a temporary measure to help bars and restaurants recover economic losses due to the pandemic; and

WHEREAS the Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard, the Chief Law Enforcement Officer of the County, opposes this concept as well.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oakland County Board of Commissioners hereby calls upon the members of Michigan Legislation to oppose House Bill 4115 which would extend hours for onpremises alcohol sales.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners recognizes that this legislation would create more health and safety detriments than any economic benefits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Oakland County Clerk/Register of Deeds is requested to forward copies of this adopted resolution to all Oakland County cities, villages, and townships, the Governor of the State of Michigan, the State Senate Majority and Minority leaders, the State House Speaker and Minority leader, the members of the Oakland County delegation to the Michigan Legislature, and the Board of Commissioner's legislative lobbyist.

Chairperson, I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

Commissioner Bob Hoffman

District #2

The Chairperson referred the resolution to the Legislative Affairs and Government Operations Committee. There were no objections.

Moved by Nelson seconded by Hoffman the resolution be adopted.

Discussion followed.

AYES: Joliat, Kowall, Kuhn, Long, Luebs, McGillivray, Miller, Powell, Spisz, Weipert, Cavell,

Hoffman, Jackson. (13)

NAYS: Markham, Moss, Nelson, Woodward, Charles, Gershenson. (6)

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the resolution was adopted.

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I HEREBY APPROVE THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION

STATE OF MICHIGAN) COUNTY OF OAKLAND)

I, Lisa Brown, Clerk of the County of Oakland, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners on April 29, 2021, with the original record thereof now remaining in my office.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Circuit Court at Pontiac, Michigan this 29th day of April, 2021.

Lisa Brown, Oakland County