

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION 15 - 09**

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**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RESTORING REQUIRED ESSENTIAL LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES FUNDING – PUBLIC HEALTH**

**WHEREAS,** Michigan's local public health departments support the provisions of quality public health services mandated on a statewide basis; and

**WHEREAS,** Essential Local Public Health Services funding (ELPHS) provided by the Michigan Departments of Agriculture and Rural Development, Community Health and Environmental Quality to conduct these mandated services has not kept pace with inflation rates for the past fifteen years and has seen significant reductions; and

**WHEREAS,** additional State mandates became effective January 1, 2015 requiring local health departments to provide education for the parent/guardian at the time a nonmedical immunization waiver is signed and certified by the local health department, thus requiring significant time and costs with no additional state funding provided; and

**WHEREAS,** the Governor recently signed Executive Order 2015-5 amending the Comprehensive Agreement and reducing ELPHS funding equating to a reduction of \$23,548 to St. Clair County Department of Public Health; and

**WHEREAS,** Section 333.2475 of the Michigan Public Health Code of 1978 requires a 50-50 cost sharing of these mandated services; and

**WHEREAS,** local funds appropriated to support the delivery of these mandated services now comprise over 70% of the total funding for these services; and

**WHEREAS,** Michigan's local public health departments will no longer be able to provide these mandated services if state funding is not increased to 50% of the total cost for these mandated services; and

**WHEREAS,** this Resolution has been recommended for approval by the Health & Human Services and Ways & Means Committees of the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners urges the Governor and Michigan Legislature to restore \$2.7 million dollars cut from Essential Local Public Health Services line item in 2010, 2011 and 2015 and appropriate sufficient dollars in the fiscal year 2015 budget to comply with PA 368 of 1978, and make a stronger commitment to protecting population health outcomes of Michigan residents.


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**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Clerk is directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to Governor Snyder, Senator Pavlov, Representatives LaFontaine, Muxlow and Lauwers.

Dated: April , 2015

Reviewed and Approved  
as to form by:

  
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