

Resolution 24-07

Supporting Citizens for Local Choice Initiative

WHEREAS, the ability of local jurisdictions to determine for themselves which projects should and should not be in their local communities; what plans are best and reasonable for each neighborhood rather than these decisions be forced onto Counties without their best interest at hand; and

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of Michigan has passed, and the Governor has signed House Bill 5120, now Public Act 233 of 2023, that strips away local community control on these issues and places the control within the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC); and

WHEREAS, St. Clair County will protect our communities' land from the MPSC and special interests trying to strip away local control within legal limits; and

WHEREAS, the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners feel strongly that our local government is best able to assess the needs of our community; now


THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners is vehemently opposed to the State of Michigan Legislature's passage of legislation that takes away local control and places it within the authority of the MPSC; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that St. Clair County is opposed to corporation-prioritized action such as building utility-scale wind and solar projects in our community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners supports the statewide ballot initiative, Citizens for Local Choice, a grassroots coalition of local officials and community organizers across Michigan working to amend the Clean and Renewable Energy and Energy Waste Reduction Act to, among other things, repeal Part 8 as added by Public Act 233 of 2023 which will restore local control of land use to ensure reasonable regulation in our widely diverse communities

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