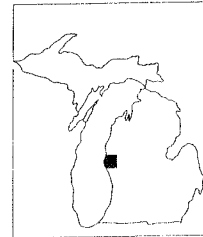




Oceana County
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
County Building
100 S. State Street, Suite M-4
Hart, Michigan 49420



RESOLUTION OPPOSING BALLOT PROPOSITIONS 3 AND 5

Moved by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Powers to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Proposal 3 would lock a \$12 billion renewable energy mandate into the state constitution and threaten local control of zoning. Because it will be locked into the constitution, the standard will have to be met, no matter what. If Proposal 3 is successful, zoning laws could be challenged on constitutional grounds and overturned, stripping local officials of their authority; and,

WHEREAS, Proposal 5 is a constitutional amendment that would make it substantially more difficult for the Legislature to raise taxes. It would require a 2/3 vote of the legislature or an affirmative vote of the people at a November election to increase taxes. This would mean that 1/3 of the legislature would be able to dictate whether or not there will be any tax increases. That means that 13 senators could block a measure supported by most lawmakers and the government. This puts too much power into the hands of the minority to dictate policy; and,

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties and the Oceana County Planning Commission have considered the proposals and requested the Oceana County Board of Commissioners to oppose them.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Oceana County Board of Commissioners concurs with MAC and the Oceana County Planning Commission and also opposes Ballot Propositions 3 and 5 that will be voted on during the November General election.

Roll call vote: Walker, yes; Powers, yes; Byl, yes; Docter, yes; Brown, yes; Kolbe, absent; and, Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

CERTIFICATION:

The undersigned, being the Clerk of Oceana County, does hereby certify that on the 11th^h day of October, 2012, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners did adopt the above Resolution at its Regular Meeting.


Rebecca J. Griffin, Clerk
Oceana County
Board of Commissioners