

REPORT (MISC. #15111)

May 21, 2015

BY: Public Services Committee, Bill Dwyer, Chairperson

IN RE: MR #15111 - BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – SUPPORT FOR INCREASED STATE FUNDING FOR SCHOOL SAFETY GRANTS

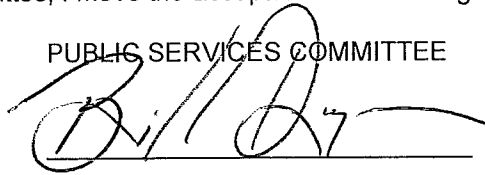
To the Oakland County Board of Commissioners

Chairperson, Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Public Services Committee, having reviewed the above referenced resolution on May 12, 2014, reports with the recommendation the resolution be adopted.

Chairperson, on behalf of the Public Services Committee, I move the acceptance of the foregoing report.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

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PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTION # 15111

BY: Commissioner Bill Dwyer, District #14; Commissioner Marcia Gershenson, District #13; Commissioner Gary McGillivray, District #20; Commissioner Janet Jackson, District #21

IN RE: BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – SUPPORT FOR INCREASED STATE FUNDING FOR SCHOOL SAFETY GRANTS

To the Oakland County Board of Commissioners

Chairperson, Ladies and Gentlemen:

WHEREAS 94 school shootings occurred in 33 states across the country in the period between December 2012 and December 2014; and

WHEREAS 53% percent of the shootings took place at K-12 schools and 47% took place on college or university campuses; and

WHEREAS in 35 shootings— more than a third of all incidents — at least one person was shot after an argument or confrontation escalated and a gun was on hand; and

WHEREAS despite increased awareness of the critical need for enhanced security on school campuses, a February 2, 2014 analysis found that "there's been no real reduction in the number of U.S. school shootings"; and

WHEREAS enhanced law enforcement and security measures on school campuses have been a proven method of increasing the safety of students and providing a healthy environment for learning; and

WHEREAS the Michigan State Police launched the School Safety Grant program in 2014 to assist local school districts and law enforcement agencies with the purchase of equipment and/or technology which will improve the safety and security of school buildings, students, and school staff; and

WHEREAS the Oakland County Sheriff, Oakland Schools and Pontiac Schools are working collaboratively to implement policies and purchase technology for the school facilities in Pontiac as a result of a 2014 School Safety Grant award; and

WHEREAS the FY 2013-14 funding of \$4,500,000 of the School Safety Grant program in 2014 was a positive first step but the need for resources to enhance school security will require significantly more resources; and

WHEREAS the Governor's proposed FY2014-15 budget proposes a \$500,000 reduction in the School Safety Grant program; and

WHEREAS in testimony before the Public Services Committee in 2013, Superintendents, representing diverse areas of Oakland County, indicated budget constraints and decreasing revenues have placed many school districts in a position where they are not able to increase investments in school security on campus; and

WHEREAS increased funding of the School Safety Grant program would be a wise investment in the promotion of safe learning environments and the prevention of further tragedies.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Oakland County Board of Commissioners encourages members of the State Legislature and Governor to appropriate additional funds to the School Safety Grant program in the FY 2014-15 State Budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Oakland County Clerk/Register of Deeds is requested to forward copies of this adopted resolution to Governor Rick Snyder, the Oakland County delegation to the Michigan Legislature, the Oakland County Superintendents of Schools, the Michigan Association of Counties; and the Oakland County legislative lobbyists.

Chairperson, we move the adoption of the foregoing Resolution.

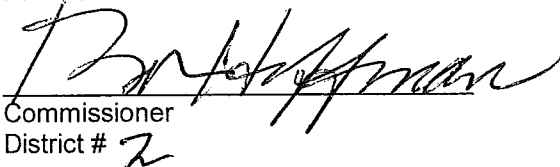


Commissioner Bill Dwyer
District #14

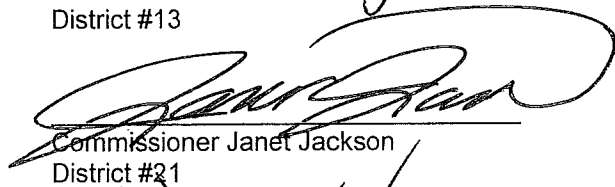


Commissioner Marcia Gershenson
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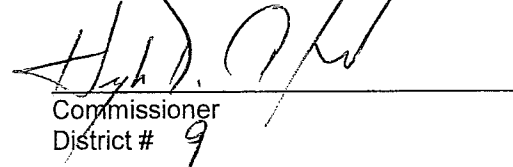
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Resolution #15111

April 23, 2015

The Chairperson referred the resolution to the Public Services Committee. There were no objections.

Resolution #15111

May 21, 2015

Moved by Spisz supported by Jackson the resolutions (with fiscal notes attached) on the amended Consent Agenda be adopted (with accompanying reports being accepted).

AYES: Dwyer, Fleming, Gingell, Gosselin, Hoffman, Jackson, Kowall, Long, Matis, McGillivray, Middleton, Quarles, Scott, Spisz, Taub, Weipert, Woodward, Zack, Crawford. (19)

NAYS: None. (0)

A sufficient majority having voted in favor, the resolutions (with fiscal notes attached) on the amended Consent Agenda were adopted (with accompanying reports being accepted).

 5/26/15

**I HEREBY APPROVE THIS RESOLUTION
CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY EXECUTIVE
ACTING PURSUANT TO MCL 45.559A (7)**

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 May 21, 2015, 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 County of Oakland at Pontiac, Michigan this 21st day of May 2015.



Lisa Brown, Oakland County