

**EATON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MAY 21, 2008**

**RESOLUTION REGARDING SB 1257 AND HB 6002**

**Introduced by the Public Works and Planning Committee**

Commissioner Luna moved the approval of the following resolution.  
Seconded by Commissioner Pearl-Wright.

**WHEREAS**, legislation has been introduced in the Michigan Legislature proposing changes in the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, that legislation would increase the amount available for projects and allow the Trust Fund Authority to borrow money to fund projects; and

**WHEREAS**, that legislation has the potential for benefitting all those interested in preserving green-space and expanding parks and recreational opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, county, township and municipal governments are in need of funding to expand, improve and maintain their parks and recreational opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, the above described legislation lacks meaningful limitations that would insure that county, township and municipal governments would have equal access to the benefits of the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Eaton County Board of Commissioners urges that the pending legislation be modified or amended to insure that all governmental units be able to share in the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund by requiring:

1. The development of a comprehensive plan that will include the allocation of trust fund proceeds to all intended beneficiaries of the Trust Fund, including county, township and municipal park and recreational systems; and
2. Limitations on the borrowing to be undertaken by the Trust Fund Authority to insure that county, township and municipal park and recreation systems will have access to their fair share of Trust Fund assets.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to Senator Patricia Birkholz, Representatives Rick Jones and Mike Simpson, Governor Granholm and the Michigan Association of Counties. Carried.

COUNTY OF EATON )  
STATE OF MICHIGAN) SS

I, M. Frances Fuller, Clerk of the Circuit Court for said County of Eaton, Do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a record now remaining in the office of the Clerk of said County and Court.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court and County, at the City of Charlotte this 28 day of May A.D. 2008

By  Dep. Clerk