

CRAWFORD COUNTY RESOLUTION
Passport Restrictions
81507-E

WHEREAS, the United States Department of State issued a letter from its Chicago Regional office to some Michigan counties prohibiting them from accepting passport applications with birth certificates issued from the same jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, this negatively impacts the revenue of the County Clerk's office; and

WHEREAS, this policy change negatively impacts the service to our residents. This is especially true in rural counties where a higher percentage of residents are born and raised; and

WHEREAS, it appears that other states are not receiving the same directive from the Chicago Regional office, singling out Michigan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Crawford County Board of Commissioners are opposed to these policy changes from the United States Department of State that are impacting our revenue, service to our residents and seem to be being applied inconsistently throughout the region.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Senator Carl Levin, Senator Debbie Stabenow, Congressman Bart Stupak and the Michigan Association of Counties.

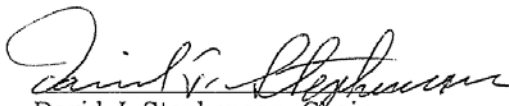
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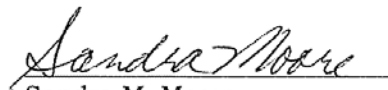
Commissioner Rogers	Yes	Commissioner Lange	Yes
Commissioner Hanson	Yes	Commissioner Stephenson	Yes
Commissioner Pinkelman	Yes	Commissioner Anderson	Yes
	Commissioner Beardslee		Yes

ADOPTED DATE: August 15, 2007

I, Sandra Moore, Clerk of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners and Clerk of the County of Crawford, do hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the said Board on August 15, 2007.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County and Court at Grayling, Michigan, this 15th day of August 2007.


David J. Stephenson, Chair
Crawford County Board of Commissioners


Sandra M. Moore
Clerk/ROD