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ALPENA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

District #8
Vice-Chairman
John Kozlowski

RESOLUTION #19-18 SUPPORTING PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION TO ADOPT 4-YEAR TERMS FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

District #2
Commissioner
Robert Adrian

WHEREAS the 1963 Michigan Constitution stipulated four-year terms for the county Board of Supervisors, the preceding body to today's Board of Commissioners; and

District #3
Commissioner
Dave Karschnick

WHEREAS the Legislature voted in 1966 to abolish Boards of Supervisors and formally replace them with Boards of Commissioners after the 1968 elections; and

District #4
Commissioner
Bill Peterson

WHEREAS Public Act 261 of 1966 promulgated that the length of terms for the new county commissioners shall be concurrent with that of state representatives, as specified in Article IV, section 3 of the Michigan Constitution; and

District #5
Commissioner
Brenda Fournier

WHEREAS the scope of duties of a county commissioner has greatly increased in the last century - road patrols, indigent defense, mental health treatment and substance abuse prevention programming, solid waste pick-up and disposal, food and water supply safety, park operations, economic development efforts, emergency management and response; and

District #6
Commissioner
Ronald McDonald

WHEREAS Michigan is one of only five states in the United States that provides for exclusively two-year terms for county commissioners; and

District #7
Commissioner
Marty Thomson

WHEREAS all other county and township elected officials in Michigan are elected to terms of at least four years; and

Executive Manager
Tammy Sumerix-Bates

WHEREAS the position of county commissioner is a highly complex oversight role that requires years to master; and

Board Assistant
Lynn Bunting

WHEREAS legislation to amend state law to enact four-year terms has been filed in the form of House bills 4937-38 and Senate Bills 504-505; and

Board Admin Assistant
Kim Elkie

WHEREAS the Michigan Association of Counties supports the legislation as introduced;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ALPENA COUNTY supports House Bills 4937-38 and Senate Bills 504-505 to enact four-year terms for county commissioners.

Moved by Commissioner Kozlowski and supported by Commissioner Karschnick to adopt the Resolution as presented above. Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Commissioners Adrian, Karschnick, Fournier, McDonald, Thomson, Kozlowski and McRoberts. Excused: Commissioner Peterson. NAYS: None. Motion carried.



Brad McRoberts – Chairman
Alpena County Board of
Commissioners
October 29, 2019

STATE OF MICHIGAN
(County of Alpena)



I, Bonnie Friedrichs, Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County of Alpena, the same of Court of Record and having a seal do hereby certify that October 29, 2019 session and that it is a true and correct transcript therefrom and of the whole thereof.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, at Alpena this 29th day of October 2019.



Bonnie Friedrichs, County Clerk