Resolution in Support of the MI Prosperity Roadmap

_____ COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION #____ SUPPORTING THE MI PROSPERITY ROADMAP PLAN

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has faced tremendous challenges because of the COVID-19 pandemic, but, at the same time, has been presented an opportunity to change the trajectory of the state's quality of life for decades to come; and

WHEREAS, the Coalition for a Strong and Prosperous Michigan set out to thoughtfully answer how to strategically invest the billions of dollars the American Rescue Plan (ARP) dedicated to the state to support individuals, education, small business, infrastructure and government; and

WHEREAS, community and business leaders came together to discuss their priorities and listen and learn from each other. Together, they developed a comprehensive roadmap to amplify the ARP funds; and

WHEREAS, the MI Prosperity Roadmap Proposal focuses the state's \$6 billion in ARP resources in a coordinated fashion across five key areas: infrastructure, fiscal health, thriving communities, strong economy and public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the state's water infrastructure is in desperate need of repair and replacement. The proposal allocates \$2.5 billion in resilient and sustainable water systems with some key investments going to lead line replacement, drinking water, and stormwater; and

WHEREAS, high-speed broadband access increases economic development and access to educational opportunities for communities across Michigan. The roadmap provides \$500 million in broadband investments in areas such as in-fill broadband grants, statewide mapping and enhancing the Connecting Michigan Communities Grant; and

WHEREAS, long-term fiscal health is key to stabilizing Michigan's economy. The proposal allocates \$800 million in smart investments to provide stability for state and local governments in key areas such as revenue sharing, the unemployment insurance trust fund and technical assistance; and

WHEREAS, thriving Michigan communities are critical to the state's long-term resiliency. The coalition proposes \$806 million in attainable housing to encourage Michigan population growth and talent recruitment retention; and

WHEREAS, a strong economy is essential for Michigan's future success. The proposal dedicates \$910 million to economic development in keys areas such as brownfield development, job training, direct business support grants and strategic and large site development; and

WHEREAS, protecting the quality of life for residents allows them to participate in their economy and community. The roadmap provides \$500 million in public health and safety to strategically invest in mental health and addiction services, facility improvements and cybersecurity; and

WHEREAS, as leaders representing people from every corner of Michigan, the coalition is ready to find common ground and work together to invest in Michigan's future to emerge more resilient and more prosperous; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that _____ COUNTY supports THE MICHIGAN PROSPERITY ROADMAP PLAN

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2021