RESOLUTION 15-20

A Resolution in Support of
Proposal 1 for Safer Roads

WHEREAS, Michigan's roads and bridges threaten driver safety and contribute to countless accidents each year, as drivers swerve to avoid potholes and other road hazards; and

WHEREAS, 38 percent of Michigan's state- and locally-owned urban roads and 32 percent of the state's state- and locally-owned rural roads are in poor condition; and

WHEREAS, Michigan has relied on Band-Aid, short-term fixes for our roads instead of investing enough money to fix our roads for the long term; and

WHEREAS, Michigan invests less per capita in transportation than any state in the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the longer we wait to fix Michigan's roads, the more it will cost us; and

WHEREAS, in addition to threatening public safety, Michigan's crumbling roads hurt our economy; and

WHEREAS, Proposal 1 on the May 5 ballot is Michigan's last, best chance to finally fix our roads with funds that the politicians can't divert somewhere else – while also supporting Michigan's long-term future by investing in our public schools and local communities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Village of Elk Rapids supports Proposal 1 on the May 5 ballot to provide the funding needed to finally fix our roads for the long term; and

RESOLVED: That the Village of Elk Rapids knows the 1-cent increase in the sales tax will benefit local communities and help ensure drivers' safety on the roads; and

RESOLVED: That the Village of Elk Rapids formally supports Safe Roads Yes! because if it passes, every penny we pay at the pump in state gas taxes is guaranteed in the constitution to go to transportation.

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ABSENT: 1

I, MICHAEL SPENCE, ASSISTANT MANAGER, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE RESOLUTION 15-20 WAS DULY ADOPTED AT THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2015.