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## RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PROPOSAL #1 ON THE AUGUST 5, 2014 BALLOT

At a regular meeting of the Village of Three Oaks held at Village Hall, Three Oaks, MI on the 11th of June, 2014.

PRESENT: Capiak, Kramer, Pappa, Zebell, Grosse  
ABSENT: Graziano, Heemstra

The following resolution was offered by: **Capiak** and seconded by: **Kramer**:

**WHEREAS**, local governments in Michigan have struggled with unstable funding needed to provide services; and

**WHEREAS**, Michigan businesses have struggled with an uncompetitive tax on businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, small businesses and manufacturers power our economy and are the largest contributor to job growth in Michigan; and

**WHEREAS**, no other state in our region taxes business equipment the way Michigan does – and most of those states don't tax it at all, which makes Michigan significantly less competitive when it comes to job creation and business investment; and

**WHEREAS**, Michigan communities have struggled for years to pay for essential services like police, fire, ambulances, schools and jails; and

**WHEREAS**, Michigan communities have relied on this shrinking source of Personal Property Tax revenue to provide other community services as well, including roads, transportation and libraries; and

**WHEREAS**, with bipartisan support the Michigan Legislature has voted to reform the antiquated personal property tax to help increase Michigan's competitiveness with other states and remove an onerous tax that will allow more business investment and create more jobs while providing a stable revenue source for local communities; and

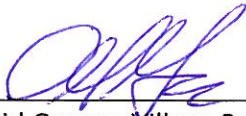
**WHEREAS**, this is not a constitutional amendment but the state constitution requires Michigan voters to approve certain changes in local taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, local governments have struggled with unstable funding needed to provide services and businesses have struggled with an uncompetitive tax on equipment for years; and

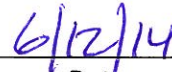
**WHEREAS**, Proposal 1 on the August 5, 2014 ballot, will make Michigan more competitive, which will help local communities to attract more businesses and talent and create local jobs; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposal 1 is supported by the Michigan Municipal League, the Michigan Townships Association, Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, Michigan Association of Police Organizations, Michigan Community College Association, Michigan Farm Bureau, the Small Business Association of Michigan, Michigan Sheriffs Association, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, National Association of Independent Businesses and the Michigan Manufacturers Association, among others; and

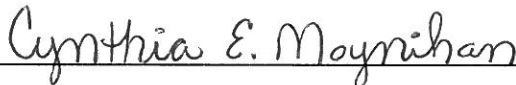
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village of Three Oaks hereby expresses its strong support for Proposal 1 to eliminate the unfair double tax and strengthen our communities. We urge our [residents/members] to vote YES on Proposal 1 on the August 5, 2014, ballot.



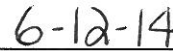
David Grosse, Village President



Date



Cynthia E. Moynihan, Village Clerk



Date