

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

*WHEREAS, local governments in Michigan have struggled with unstable funding needed to provide services; 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 other states do not 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 and other critical programs; and*

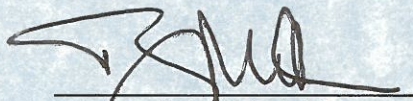
*WHEREAS, after a bipartisan process of policy development, the Michigan Legislature has voted to reform the antiquated Personal Property Tax to help increase Michigan's competitiveness and remove an onerous tax that will allow more business investment and create more jobs while providing a stable revenue source for local communities; and*

*WHEREAS, Proposal 1 will make Michigan more competitive, which will help local communities to attract more businesses and talent and create local jobs; and*

*WHEREAS, this change is supported by the Michigan Municipal League, the Michigan Townships Association, Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, Michigan Community College Association, Michigan Farm Bureau, the Small Business Association of Michigan, Michigan Sherriff's Association, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, National Federation of Independent Businesses and the Michigan Manufacturers Association, among other.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, Brian D. Marl, Mayor of the City of Saline, on behalf of the Saline City Council and the citizens of Saline, hereby express strong support for Proposal 1 on the August 5, 2014 ballot.*



  
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Brian Marl, Mayor  
City of Saline