

RESOLUTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND COMMEND ROGER RAYLE AND THE COALITION FOR ACTION ON REMEDIATION OF DIOXANE (CARD) FOR LONGSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE TO MONITOR AND PROTECT RESIDENTS OF ANN ARBOR FROM EXPOSURE TO HARMFUL CHEMICALS IN ANN ARBOR FRESHWATER SOURCES

Whereas the Environmental Commission advises the Ann Arbor City Council on issues related to environmental policy, environmental issues and environmental implications of all City programs and proposals on the air, water, land and public health; and

Whereas Roger Rayle founded the Coalition for Action on Remediation of Dioxane (CARD) and has served as Chair since 2006; and

Whereas Roger Rayle and members of CARD have held quarterly meetings to educate and organize members of the community about the threat of 1,4-dioxane in the groundwater; and

Whereas Roger Rayle has collected data, analyzed and shared detailed information, and encouraged members of the community to learn about the risks to water quality in Ann Arbor, Scio Township, and Ann Arbor Township,

Whereas Roger Rayle has provided support to members of the community, local, state and national elected officials, via the CARD, and the group, Scio Residents for Safe Water, with respect to addressing 1,4-dioxane cleanup processes; and

Whereas, Roger Rayle and members of CARD have advocated for remediation of the 1,4-dioxane plume by the Environmental Protection Agency; and

Whereas meetings of CARD have routinely provided a forum for review of data on the 1,4-dioxane plume, tracking trends, and communication with staff of MDEQ/EGLE,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Ann Arbor Environmental Commission commends Roger Rayle and members of CARD for their long service to the community through professional activism and the use of scientific modeling; and

RESOLVED: That the Ann Arbor Environmental Commission requests that the Ann Arbor City Council provide a coordinating resolution of appreciation and respect to Roger Rayle and members of CARD for their service; and

RESOLVED: That the Environmental Commission recommends that the City of Ann Arbor send the commendation of Roger Rayle and members of CARD for decades-long service to the leadership of Washtenaw County, the Washtenaw County delegation to the Michigan Legislature, the Director of the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, the Region Administrator - United States Environmental Protection Agency - Region V, Attorney General Dana Nessel, and Governor Gretchen Whitmer.

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