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September 16, 2016

The Honorable Governor Rick Snyder
Governor of Michigan
PO Box 30013
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Governor Snyder:

This letter serves as notice that on September 6, 2016 the Bay City Commission passed a resolution strongly objecting to your veto of Senate Bill 557 and is urging a Legislative override in order to alleviate the financial burden to local communities and restore some measure of equity to the forty-five municipalities that fall under the current legislation.

Your veto will cost the City's taxpayers over \$2,001,000 in State Road funding to rebuild an MDOT bridge which serves a region much larger than the City. This equates to almost one year of State Road funds and it will result in one full year that the City will not be able to repair our City streets.

Sincerely,

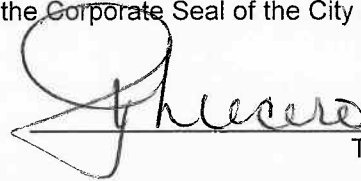

Richard M. Finn
City Manager

CITY OF BAY CITY, MICHIGAN
OFFICE OF CITY CLERK
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STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF BAY)
CITY OF BAY CITY)

I, Tema J. Lucero, City Clerk of the City of Bay City, County and State aforesaid, Do hereby Certify that I have compared the annexed excerpt from the resolution approved at the September 6, 2016, Commission Meeting with the original on file in my office, and that it is a true and correct copy therefrom and of the whole of such original.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of the City of Bay City, Michigan, this 16th day of September, 2016.



Tema J. Lucero, City Clerk

Of Commission as a Whole:

Whereas, the Michigan Department of Transportation will totally reconstruct/rebuild the Lafayette M84/M13 at an estimated cost of \$43,428,829; and

Whereas, currently the City of Bay City's Act 51 total revenue is approximately \$2,300,000 per year, so this match will utilize 43.4% of our allotted budget; and

Whereas, as a direct result of current state law the city will be required to reimburse the Michigan Department of Transportation 5% of the project cost and is estimated to be approximately \$1,000,000; and

Whereas, the "loss" of 43.4% would impact our routine maintenance and winter maintenance activities for approximately two years and along with severely limiting our repavement efforts of local streets; and

Whereas, the City has repeatedly voiced opposition to MDOT's proposed change to the project phasing as well as the use of Act 51 funding formula for road projects with regional, national, and even international significance and impact; and

Whereas, the City has provided supportive testimony to both the Senate and House Committees on

Transportation, both of which unanimously recommended approval of Senate Bill 557; and

Whereas, the Michigan Senate and House unanimously approved Senate Bill 557 on May 31, 2016, and June 9, 2016, respectively; and

Whereas, on July 1, 2016, while admitting that the Act 51 requirement for local cost sharing places a hardship on those communities required to use most, if not all, of their available local road funding for interstate highway projects, Governor Snyder vetoed Senate Bill 557 thereby keeping the local match contributions.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Bay City City Commission strongly objects to the Governor's veto and urges a legislative override this year in order to alleviate the financial burden to local communities and restore some measure of equity to state highway funding in Michigan.

Be It Further Resolved that the City of Bay City strongly recommends that the State Senate and the House of Representatives take immediate action to override the Governor's veto of Senate Bill 557 to restore equity to the forty-five municipalities that fall under the current legislation.

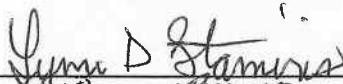
Be It Further Resolved that the City Clerk provide a copy of this Resolution to U.S. Senators Stabenow and Peters, U.S. Representative Kildee, State Senator Green, State House Representative Brunner, Governor Snyder, Michigan Municipal League, and the following forty-four impacted Cities: Detroit, Grand Rapids, Warren, Sterling Heights, Lansing, Ann Arbor, Flint, Madison Heights, Dearborn, Livonia, Westland, Troy, Farmington Hills, Kalamazoo, Wyoming, Southfield, Rochester Hills, Taylor, St. Clair Shores, Pontiac, Dearborn Heights, Royal Oak, Novi, Battle Creek, Saginaw, Kentwood, East Lansing, Roseville, Portage, Midland, Muskegon, Lincoln Park, Jackson, Holland, Eastpointe, Port Huron, Southgate, Burton, Oak Park, Allen Park, Garden City, Mount Pleasant, Wyandotte, and Inkster.

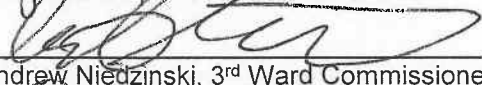
Commissioner Niedzinski moved to allow public input. There was no objection. No one came forward.


Commissioner Niedzinski moved adoption of resolution.


Adopted by the following vote:


Yes, Commissioners Terrasi, Niedzinski, Brunner, Irving, Davidson, Clements, Basmadjian, Elliott, 8.
No, None.



Lynn Sfamiris, 1st Ward Commissioner



Andrew Niedzinski, 3rd Ward Commissioner

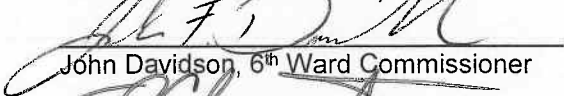

Jim Irving, 5th Ward Commissioner



Kerice Basmadjian, 7th Ward Commissioner

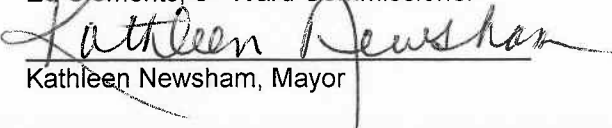

Larry Elliott, 9th Ward Commissioner


David Terrasi, 2nd Ward Commissioner


Brentt Brunner, 4th Ward Commissioner


John Davidson, 6th Ward Commissioner


Ed Clements, 8th Ward Commissioner


Kathleen Newsham, Mayor