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TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN: Your Committee on Committees respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the County of Berrien, Michigan (the "County") currently levies a Public Safety Millage that will expire after the December 1, 2024 tax levy; and

WHEREAS, based on estimates and projections, the Berrien County Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interests of the County to submit a question to qualified electors in the County to repeal, reauthorize and increase the existing Public Safety Millage to provide funds to pay the operating and capital improvement costs of providing Public Safety services within the County; and

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Board of Commissioners wishes to adopt this Resolution to submit a Ballot Proposition on Tuesday, November 8, 2022 (the "General Election") to present the millage proposition to the electors of Berrien County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wishes to approve such ballot proposition and authorize the County Clerk to proceed with the necessary notices for submission of such Ballot Proposition to County Voters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the following proposal be placed on the ballot for consideration by the voters of Berrien County at the general election to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, and that the form of the proposal shall be as follows:

BERRIEN COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall the County of Berrien repeal the existing Public Safety Millage that will expire with the December 1, 2024 tax levy and replace it with a new annual Public Safety Millage, which will be increased by up to 0.45 Mills ($0.45 per $1,000 of taxable value) on all taxable property within the County for a period of five (5) years beginning with the December 1, 2022 tax levy (to expire after December 1, 2026 tax levy) to provide funds to pay the operating and capital improvement costs of providing Public Safety services within the County? If approved and levied in full, this millage will raise an estimated $3,992,955 in the first calendar year of the levy based on taxable value.

YES _____ NO _____

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said election shall be held and conducted and the result of said election shall be canvassed in accordance with the provisions of the state law pertaining to the submission of such questions to the electors entitled to vote thereon and that the County Clerk shall do and perform all acts required by law for the calling and conducting of such election, and that the County Clerk shall, upon completion of the official canvas, file with the County Treasurer of Berrien County a certified copy of the official declaration of results of such election.

Respectfully Submitted,
Berrien County Committee on Committees

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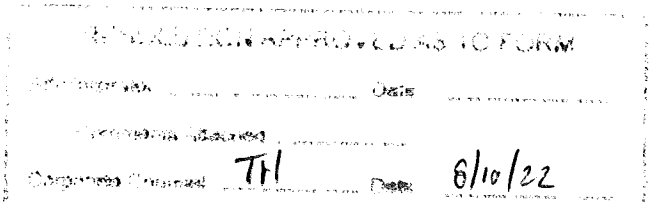
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