

**DOUGLASS TOWNSHIP  
COUNTY OF MONTCALM**

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Douglass, Montcalm County, Michigan, held in the Douglass Township Hall, on the 21st day of September 2023, at 6:30 p.m., Local Time, at which a quorum of the members was present, the following resolution was offered by Member Cindy Shick and seconded by Member Eric Tester.

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-05

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT TO MAINTAIN LOCAL CONTROL OVER LOCAL LAND USES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: SHORT-TERM RENTALS, INDUSTRIAL SOLAR INSTALLATIONS, INDUSTRIAL WIND TURBINE INSTALLATIONS AND SAND AND GRAVEL MINING

WHEREAS, local townships are best able to determine which uses should and should not be in their local communities and what plans are best and reasonable for each neighborhood rather than having these decisions forced onto townships by the state government; and

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of Michigan may propose and attempt to pass into law bills that strip away local community control over local land uses including, but not limited to: short-term rentals, industrial solar installations, industrial wind turbine installations and sand and gravel mining; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Douglass Township is committed to protecting our communities' land from special interests trying to strip away local control.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Douglass Township resolves as follows:

Section 1. Douglass Township is opposed to the legislature of the State of Michigan proposing and passing bills that take away or otherwise limit local control over local land uses, including, but not limited to short term rentals, industrial solar installations, industrial wind turbine installations, and sand and gravel mining.

Section 2. Douglass Township is opposed to the construction, operation, maintenance, repair, replacement and decommissioning of industrial wind facilities, industrial solar facilities, sand and gravel mines and similar uses in our community unless these projects comply with township ordinances and regulations.

Section 3. Douglass Township supports the longstanding right of local community self-determination as provided by the laws and constitution of the State of Michigan.

Section 4. As the members of the Board of Douglass Township, we resolve to maintain the duties and responsibilities bestowed upon us as elected representatives by our constituents to execute their will to the best of our abilities in these matters.

AYES: Shick, Tester, Huff, Bunters, Daper NAYS: 0

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Holly Huff  
Holly Huff, Clerk  
Township of Douglass,  
Montcalm County, Michigan