

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

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, on August 7, 1990, the voters of Berrien County approved a property tax levy for the establishment and operation of a 9-1-1 emergency system in Berrien County; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Berrien County have continuously approved 9-1-1 millages, the latest in 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the continued operation of the 9-1-1 emergency system is consistent with promoting the safety and well being of all Berrien County residents.

**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 election to be held on August 4, 2020 and that the form of the proposal shall be as follows:

**9-1-1 EMERGENCY SYSTEM PROPOSAL**

In support of continued operation of a 9-1-1 Emergency System within Berrien County, shall the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against the taxable valuation of all property in Berrien County liable for taxation be set at forty-five hundredths of one mill (\$0.45 cents per each \$1,000 of taxable valuation). The above said millage represents a renewal of the millage rate of forty-five hundredths of one mill (\$.4500 per each \$1,000.00 of taxable valuations, as equalized) .The authorization to levy said millage is for a period of four (4) years being the years 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024. It is estimated that the amount of revenue to be generated from the total millage rate in the first year of the levy (2021) will be approximately \$3,713,809.00.

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 canvass, file with the County Treasurer for Berrien County a certified copy of the official declaration of results of said election.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in the event that the above proposal is approved by the voters, this Board of Commissioners will not levy any greater millage than is necessary, within the limits approved by the voters, to adequately provide funds for services and programs for the 9-1-1 Emergency Services in this county, and that all revenues generated by this millage will be used solely for said purposes.

**Respectfully submitted,  
BERRIEN COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE**



Robert P. Harrison, Vice-Chairman

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Mamie L. Yarbrough, Chairperson

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Ezra A. Scott

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Jon Hinkelman

<b>RESOLUTION APPROVED AS TO FORM</b>	
Administrator <u>m</u>	Date <u>4/25/20</u>
Comments Attached _____	
Corporate Counsel <u>JDP</u>	Date _____
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