

**VILLAGE OF KINGSLEY  
RESOLUTION 10-2014**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LOCAL COMMUNITY STABILIZATION  
AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX REFORM WITHOUT RAISING  
TAXES**

**At a regular meeting of the Kingsley Village Council held in the Village of Kingsley,  
on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of May, at 6:00pm in the Kingsley Village Hall**

**PRESENT: Bogart, Smith, King, Pierce, McPherson Wooters**

**ABSENT: Alger**

**The following resolution was offered by McPherson and seconded by Pierce:**

**WHEREAS, local governments in Michigan have struggled with unstable funding  
needed to provide services; and**

**WHEREAS, Michigan businesses have struggled with an uncompetitive tax on  
business; and**

**WHEREAS, small businesses and manufacturers power our economy and are the  
largest contributor to job growth in Michigan; and**

**WHEREAS, no other state in our region taxes business equipment the way  
Michigan does – and most of those states don't tax it at all, which makes Michigan  
significantly less competitive when it comes to job creation and business  
investment; and**

**WHEREAS, Michigan communities have struggled for years to pay for essential  
services like police, fire, ambulances, schools and jails; and**

**WHEREAS, Michigan communities have relied on this shrinking source of  
Personal Property Tax revenue to provide other community services as well,  
including roads, transportation and libraries; and**

**WHEREAS, with bipartisan support the Michigan Legislature has voted to reform  
the antiquated personal property tax to help increase Michigan's competitiveness  
with other states and remove an onerous tax that will allow more business  
investment and create more jobs while providing a stable revenue source for local  
communities; and**

**WHEREAS, this is not a constitutional amendment but the state constitution  
requires Michigan voters to approve certain changes in local taxes; and**

**WHEREAS, local governments have struggled with unstable funding needed to  
provide services and business have struggled with an uncompetitive tax on  
equipment for years; and**

**WHEREAS, the proposal will make Michigan more competitive, which will help local communities to attract more businesses and talent and create local jobs; and**

**WHEREAS, the proposal is supported by the Michigan Municipal League, the Michigan Townships Association, Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, Michigan Association of Police Organizations, Michigan Community College Association, Michigan Farm Bureau, the Small Business Association of Michigan, Michigan Sheriffs Association, Michigan Chamber of Commerce, National Association of Independent Businesses and the Michigan Manufacturers Association, among others; and**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Kingsley hereby expresses its strong support for the proposal to eliminate the unfair double tax and strengthen our communities. We urge our [residents to vote YES on this proposal on August 5, 2014.**

**DATE**

  
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**Rodney M. Bogart Village President**

Resolution 10-14

Adopted the 12th day of May, 2014, by the Village Council of the Village of Kingsley by the following vote:

AYES: Smith, Bogart, Wooters, McPherson, Pierce, King

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Alger

Karen Lee Send, Village Clerk

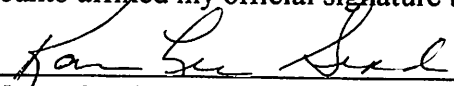
STATE OF MICHIGAN )

) ss.

COUNTY OF GRAND TRAVERSE )

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Village of Kingsley, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete and compared copy of a resolution adopted by the Village Council at a regular meeting of said Board held on the 11th day of November, 2013, the original of which resolution is a part of the proceedings of said meeting and is on file in my office. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended, including in the case of a special or rescheduled meeting notice by publication or posting at least eighteen hours prior to the time set for the meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature this 12th day of May, 2014.

  
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Karen Send, Clerk, Village of Kingsley