

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CLINTON
MACOMB COUNTY, MI**

**RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE PASSAGE OF MICHIGAN
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE BILLS 5529-5532, 5581-5585
REGARDING LOCAL MUNICIPAL ZONING AUTHORITY**

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Clinton, held in the Board Chambers at 40700 Romeo Plank Road, Clinton Township, Michigan, on the 16th day of March 2026, commencing at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: GIELEGHEM, MELTZER, AIELLO, MATUZAK, KRESS, KING, WADE

ABSENT: NONE

WHEREAS, House Bills 5529 through 5532 and 5581 through 5585 have been introduced in the State of Michigan House of Representatives (hereinafter "bills"), and;

WHEREAS, the above referenced bills have been referred to the State House of Representatives committees for consideration, and;

WHEREAS, these bills would, if enacted into law, impose new requirements for studies and documents for site plan review that will interfere with the well-established development plan review process, and;

WHEREAS, if enacted into law, these bills would restrict minimum home square footage requirements thus harming property values for existing homeowners, and

WHEREAS, if enacted into law, these bills would limit parcel sizes to 1,500 square feet, impacting surrounding property values and creating greater density in areas where it was never planned, causing immense pressure on local infrastructure such as water and sewer and roads, and;

WHEREAS, if enacted into law, these bills would limit parking to one per unit, creating inadequate parking in any town without robust mass transit,

WHEREAS, if enacted into law, these bills would disrupt many decades of engineering and planning that shaped current residential zoning, and;

WHEREAS, if enacted into law, these bills would reduce the allowable setbacks between homes and the property line to 5 feet in the front and rear, impacting the values of existing properties, quality of life, and utility easement placement, and,

WHEREAS, if enacted into law, these bills would reduce the front yard setback to 15 feet, causing driveway parking to interfere with safe sidewalk travel, and,

WHEREAS, if enacted into law, would permit duplexes and mobile homes on parcels currently zoned for single-family residential, burdening infrastructure that was not designed for the additional density and impacting existing property values, and;

WHEREAS, the Michigan Statutes have traditionally delegated local Municipal Zoning regulations to cities and townships which are more capable of engaging the public in decision making, and;

WHEREAS, if enacted into law, these bills would preempt local control over how their communities develop, and;

WHEREAS, each local community has unique needs and characteristics which make a one-size-fits-all approach unworkable, and;

WHEREAS, local communities can best determine orderly development plans and in turn enact zoning regulations, and;

WHEREAS, local communities are best situated to assess infrastructure capabilities, such as water and sewer capacity, so that future development may be properly planned, and;

WHEREAS, local communities can determine limits on land use so as to address the requirements of those willing to invest while ensuring the health, safety and enjoyment of the residents that will call the community home, and;

WHEREAS, these bills will not solve the housing affordability crisis because they don't address root causes such as interest rate, high taxation caused by government cost structure, corporate ownership of living units, and the impact of sprawl on housing costs.

NOW, THEREFORE,

Upon motion by Member TRUSTEE KRESS, supported by Member CLERK MELTZER,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton Township Board of Trustees opposes passage of House Bills 5529 through 5532 and 5581 through 5585 on the basis that local municipalities are best situated to enact zoning regulations to ensure the health, safety and welfare of their residents, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be distributed to all state legislators representing residents of Clinton Township, and;

Any and all resolutions in conflict herewith are repealed only to the extent necessary to give full force and effect to the foregoing provisions.

This Resolution is deemed severable. Should any provision, clause, word or sentence be deemed unenforceable, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect.

AYES: GIELEGHEM, MELTZER, AIELLO, MATUZAK, KRESS, KING, WADE

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.



Kim Meltzer, Clerk
Charter Township of Clinton

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees at a regular meeting held on March 16th, 2026 and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1976, as amended, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will or have been made available as required by said Act.



Kim Meltzer, Clerk
Charter Township of Clinton