

**CITY OF LINDEN**

**RESOLUTION NO. 02-26**

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING STATE PREEMPTION OF LOCAL ZONING  
AUTHORITY THROUGH THE PROPOSED HOUSING READINESS PACKAGE**

At a meeting of the City Council of the City of Linden (the "City"), held on Monday, March 9, 2026, at 6:30 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time.

PRESENT: Armstrong, Howel, Miller, Hicks, Dicky Link

ABSENT: SIMONS

The following resolution was offered by Miller and supported by Howel:

**WHEREAS**, the City of Linden is granted zoning and land use authority pursuant to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act; and

**WHEREAS**, land use and zoning regulations are matters of local concern best addressed by local officials who understand their community and ensure public participation and consistency;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed "Housing Readiness" legislative package preempts and limits local zoning authority and diminishes ability of local governments to respond to specific needs and development decisions;

**WHEREAS**, preemption of local zoning authority circumvents the role of local officials and reduces the ability of local control to balance growth, infrastructure capacity, public safety services, environmental protections, fiscal responsibility; and long-term planning goals of their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, preservation of local planning and zoning authority is essential and many municipalities are actively addressing housing supply and affordability through master planning, zoning updates, and other efforts which require local discretion; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Linden City Council formally opposes House Bills 5529 through 5532, as well as House Bills 5581 through 5585, and along with related proposed legislation, that preempts or limits local zoning and land use authority; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Linden City Council urges the Michigan Legislature to vote in opposition, to instead support local control and work collaboratively with municipalities; and

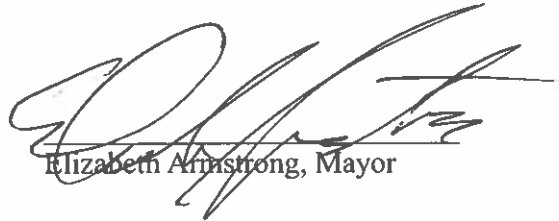
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the Governor of Michigan, the City's State Senator and State Representative, the Michigan Municipal League, and appropriate legislative committees considering this legislation.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026, by the City Council of the City of Linden, Michigan.

YEAS: Armstrong, Link, Howel, Dick, Miller, Hickey

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

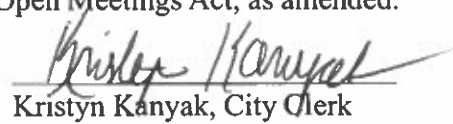
  
Elizabeth Armstrong, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Kristyn Kanyak, City Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Linden hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the Resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Linden, Genesee County, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026, A.D, and that notice of said meeting was given in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, as amended.

  
Kristyn Kanyak, City Clerk