A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING TO THE WASHTENAW COUNTY CLERK BALLOT LANGUAGE FOR A TEN-YEAR MILLAGE OF ONE FIFTH (1/5) OF ONE MILL PER YEAR TO BE PLACED ON THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

April 3, 2024

WHEREAS, in 1986, Washtenaw County and the cities of Ann Arbor, Saline and Milan formed the 800 Mhz Consortium to improve communications between their respective public safety agencies; and

WHEREAS, the 800 Mhz communications analog system was outdated with many of the components unsupported by the manufacturer due to its age, did not provide sufficient radio coverage throughout the County and did not permit public safety entities that use equipment from different manufacturers to communicate with each other; and

WHEREAS, in May, 2003, the 800 Mhz Consortium created a Subcommittee to analyze the gaps in the existing 800 Mhz Communications system, recommend solutions to filling those gaps, and identify a strategy to reach those solutions; and

WHEREAS, based on those recommendations in 2006 the County proposed that four new communications towers be constructed in strategic areas around the County to maximize coverage, along with improvements to the infrastructure of the system, and the purchase of new digital radios, with the upgraded system known as the County Enhanced Emergency Communications System (the "System"); and

WHEREAS, the System improvements and the operations thereof were to be paid for by a County-wide millage of .20 mill for ten (10) years which was approved by the voters in the County on November 5, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the millage was renewed for ten (10) years in 2015, expiring in 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners wishes to request the voters in the County to renew and restore the existing extra .20 mills for constructing, operating and expanding the System for ten (10) more years; and

WHEREAS, this item has been reviewed by the Finance Department, Corporation Counsel, the County Administrator's Office, and the Board of Commissioners.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, State of Michigan as follows:

1. The following millage proposal is hereby certified to the County Clerk to be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the County at an election to be held on November 5, 2024:

THIS PROPOSAL WILL AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY OF WASHTENAW TO LEVY 0.20 MILLS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE ACQUISITION, RENOVATION,

MAINTENANCE, UPGRADE AND OPERATION OF THE COUNTY'S ENHANCED EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM, INCLUDING THE POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL TOWERS, UPGRADING THE EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE, AND PURCHASING OF NECESSARY EQUIPMENT. OF THE 0.20 MILL, 0.1910 REPRESENTS A RENEWAL OF THE 0.20 MILL AUTHORIZATION APPROVED BY THE ELECTORS IN 2016, WHICH WILL EXPIRE WITH THE 2025 TAX LEVY, AND 0.009 MILL REPRESENTS A RESTORATION OF THAT PORTION OF THE SAME AUTHORIZATION WHICH HAS BEEN REDUCED BY APPLICATION OF THE HEADLEE AMENDMENT.

"Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed each year for all purposes taxable property in Washtenaw County, Michigan be increased by 0.200 mill (\$0.20 per thousand dollars of taxable value) for a period of ten (10) years, 2026 to 2035, inclusive, as a renewal of the 0.0960 mills previously authorized by the electors which expires with the 2025 tax levy as reduced by the operation of the Headlee amendment, plus new additional millage as a restoration of 0.009 mills, for the sole purpose of providing funds to the County for the acquisition, renovation, maintenance, upgrade and operation of the County's Enhanced Emergency Communications System, including the potential construction of additional towers, upgrading the existing infrastructure, purchasing equipment, and paying for maintenance and user fees? If approved and levied in full, this millage will raise an estimated \$4,493,654 when first levied in 2026."

YES

NO

- 2. The County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file this Resolution and/or complete any such forms, certificates or documents as may be required by the County Clerk to evidence the foregoing certification and/or submission by no later than 4:00 pm on Tuesday, August 13, 2024.
- 3. The County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to (a) post and publish notice of last day of registration and notice of election for the November 5, 2024 election date as required by the Michigan election law; and (b) have prepared and printed, as provided by the Michigan election law, ballots for submitting the millage proposals at the November 5, 2024 election date, which ballots shall contain the millage proposal appearing herein.

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	А	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	А	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	А
Beeman	Х			Maciejewski	Х			Somerville	Х		
Hodge	X			Rabhi	Х						
LaBarre	X			Sanders	Х						
Lyte	X			Scott	Х						
CLERK/REGISTER'S CERTIFICATE - CERTIFIED COPY						ROLL CALL VOTE:			9	0	0

STATE OF MICHIGAN

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I, Lawrence Kestenbaum, Clerk/Register of said County of Washtenaw and Clerk of Circuit Court for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners at a session held at the County Administration Building in the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, on April 3rd, 2024, as it appears of record in my office. In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at Ann Arbor, this 4th day of April 2024.

COUNTY OF WASHTENAW)SS.

LAWRENCE/KESTENBAUM, Clerk/Register

BY: Deputy Clerk

Res. No. 24-071