## ST. CLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## **RESOLUTION 14 - 20**

## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RESTORATION FUNDING FOR PUBLIC HEALTH

WHEREAS, Michigan's local public health departments support the provision of quality public health services mandated to be provided on a statewide basis; and

WHEREAS, the funding provided by the Michigan Departments of Agriculture, Community Health, and Environmental Quality to conduct these mandated services has not kept pace with inflation rates for the past ten years and has experienced several reductions; and

WHEREAS, Section 333 2475 of the Michigan Public Health Code of 1978 requires a 50-50 cost sharing of these mandated services; and

WHEREAS, local funds appropriated to support the delivery of these mandated services now comprise over 70% of the total funding for these services; and

WHEREAS, public health services have a documented return on investment of at least four dollars for every dollar spent on public health; and

WHEREAS, through legislative leadership 2 million dollars was restored to this unfunded mandate for FY 2014, and

RESOLVED; St. Clair County Board of Commissioners urges the Governor and Michigan Legislature to restore the remaining \$2 million dollars cut from the Essential Local Public Health Services line item this will place funding for mandated services at FY2000 level and

RESOLVED, the Michigan legislature appropriate sufficient dollars to comply with PA 368 of 1978, and establish a funding mechanism to support this mandated service requirement going into the future to assure a strong and viable local public health system which is addressing population health outcomes.

RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to Senator Pavlov, Representatives LaFontaine, Muxlow and Lauwers.

Dated: May 15, 2014

Reviewed and Approved

as to form by:

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