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RESOLUTION #21-09 County Revenue Sharing Fund

District #2 Chairman of the Board Robert Adrian

WHEREAS, as the State of Michigan faced the great recession, they looked to find creative ways to save money in the State's general fund; and

District #7 Vice-Chairman Marty Thomson

WHEREAS, in 2004, a deal between county governments and the State of Michigan, created a property tax collection shift which would provide for revenue sharing funds to the Counties while not relying on the State's general fund for that; and

District #1 Commissioner Don Gilmet

WHEREAS, during this time, the proceeds from the property tax collection shift was put in a County Revenue Sharing Reserve Fund whereby a county could obtain funds from there; and

District #3 Commissioner Dave Karschnick WHEREAS, once a county exhausted their reserve fund, they re-entered the state revenue system where they should be receiving their full funding amount; and

District #4 Commissioner Bill Peterson WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties has done extensive research into county revenue sharing and the impact the County Revenue Sharing Fund has had on county allocations and indicates that the State of Michigan has cumulatively shorted 60 counties of more than \$110 million between 2009 and 2014; and

District #5 Commissioner Brenda Fournier WHEREAS, Alpena County is one of those counties, experiencing a shortfall of \$494,016; and a cumulative shortfall of \$1,067,487 due to CPI increases being discounted after Alpena County's return to CRS; and

District #6 Commissioner Kevin Osbourne WHEREAS, despite receiving federal funds through the state as part of the American Rescue Plan, the use of the federal funds is tied to COVID/pandemic related expenses; and

WHEREAS, it is time for those funds to be restored in full this year; and

District #8 Commissioner John Kozlowski WHEREAS, while Alpena County has exhausted thousands of dollars related to the COVID-19 pandemic, we have budgeted services to provide to our citizens which are not related to COVID-19; and

Executive Manager Tammy Sumerix-Bates

WHEREAS, services provided by the Alpena County Courts, Prosecutor, Sheriff/Jail, County Clerk, Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Drain Commissioner, Administration and Alpena County Regional Airport are all funded in part by County Revenue Sharing and would be impacted by a restriction of funds for COVID only; and

Board Assistant Lynn Bunting

WHEREAS, a portion of the revenue sharing also goes to support operations of other functions that requires an investment of local county matching funds to accept federal or state funded programs.

Board Admin Assistant Kim Elkie NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Alpena County Board of Commissioners calls upon state leaders to restore the County Revenue Sharing Fund and to provide a one-time payment of the cumulative shortfall.

Moved by Commissioner Gilmet and supported by Commissioner Thomson to adopt Resolution #21-09 as presented. Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Gilmet, Karschnick, Peterson, Osbourne, Thomson, Kozlowski and Adrian. NAYS: None. Excused: Commissioner Fournier. Motion carried.

Robert Adrian, Chairman

Alpena County Board of Commissioners

April 27, 2021

STATE OF MICHIGAN) County of Alpena)



I the undersigned, being duly qualified and acting Clerk of Alpena County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Alpena County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on the 27th day of April 2021, and that notice of said meeting was given in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, at Alpena this 27th day of April 2021.

Bonnie Friedrichs, Alpena County Clerk