Introduced by the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION COMMENDING THOSE INVOLVED IN THE RESPONSE TO THE ACTIVE SHOOTER INCIDENT AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

RESOLUTION # 23 – 074

WHEREAS, students, faculty and university employees from across our region, state, country and globe call Ingham County home while attending and working at Michigan State University; and

WHEREAS, on the evening of February 13, 2023 an active shooter was reported on the Campus of Michigan State University; and

WHEREAS, within minutes Federal, State, County and local law enforcement, fire agencies, EMTs and paramedics from across the State of Michigan rushed to the scene; and

WHEREAS, the efficiency and coordination of the first responders arrival to the scene resulted in lives being saved; and

WHEREAS, medical staff at Sparrow Hospital worked well into the night to provide life-saving emergency care to the victims; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham County 911 Dispatchers went above and beyond as they assisted law enforcement officials in locating an active shooter, calming panicked students, following up on false leads, while at the same time handling unrelated calls; and

WHEREAS, many additional Ingham County employees will play an essential role in helping our communities heal and cope with the devastating aftermath of this tragedy; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that other forms of gun violence and the threat of gun violence continue to cause fear and tragedy throughout our communities; and

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners has made a public safety planning commitment of support and partnership with Advance Peace which will help save lives and reduce life altering trauma by interrupting cyclical and retaliatory gun violence in urban neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Ingham County declared the first Friday in June to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day and encourages all citizens to support their local communities' efforts to prevent the tragic effects of gun violence and to honor and value human lives.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners hereby commends all Federal, State, County and local law enforcement, hospital and emergency personnel, 911 dispatchers and Michigan State University employees who played a role in the response to the tragic shooting situation that unfolded at Michigan State University.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board sincerely appreciates the bravery and professionalism they each displayed as they diligently worked to protect and save the lives of those in the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners calls on state lawmakers and Governor Gretchen Whitmer to act swiftly in support of legislation and review all avenues that will prevent needless gun violence and similar tragedies from taking place in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Clerk will transmit copies of this resolution to all 83 counties in the State, the Governor of the State of Michigan, and the legislative delegation representing Ingham County in the State Legislature.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
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COUNTY OF INGHAM)

2023.

I, Barb Byrum, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of Ingham County, Michigan (the "County") do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners at a meeting held on February 14, 2023, the original of which is on file in my office. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this 21st day of February.

Barb Byrum, County Clerk

Ingham County