

**RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING THE CITIZENS FOR LOCAL CHOICE BALLOT INITIATIVE
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Whereas, local units of government should be able to determine for themselves which projects should, or should not, be in their local communities; and

Whereas, Public Act 233 of 2023 strips away local community control with regards to wind and solar energy operations. The Act places authority to make these decisions for local communities in the hands of the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC); and

Whereas, Public Act 233 of 2023 removes the responsibility for which local officials are elected, that being, to protect the health safety and welfare of their residents as well as act in the best interests of their community; and

Whereas, the MPSC does not have the fundamental knowledge, background, or interest to know what is in the best interest of the citizens of Crawford County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Crawford County Board of Commissioners is opposed to this specific legislation, and any other proposed legislation, that bypasses local governmental units and grants authority to some other public body to determine what is in the best interests of the residents of Crawford County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Crawford County Board of Commissioners supports the statewide ballot initiative that is being promoted by the Citizens for Local Choice, a grassroots coalition of local officials and community organizers across Michigan. This group is working to amend the Clean and Renewable Energy and Energy Waste Reduction Act to, among other things, repeal Part 8 of Public Act 233 of 2023. To restore local control of land use to ensure reasonable regulation in our widely diverse communities; and

BE IT FURTHER REOLVED, that this resolution be forwarded to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Senator Michele Hoitenga, Representative Ken Borton, the Michigan Association of Counties and all other 82 counties in the state of Michigan.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Commissioner Jamison	Yes	Commissioner Kraycs	Yes
Commissioner Frederick	Yes	Commissioner Powers	Absent
Commissioner Goscicki	Yes	Commissioner Jansen	Absent
	Commissioner Lewis	Yes	

ADOPTED DATE: March 28, 2024

I, Jamie McClain, Clerk of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners and Clerk of the County of Crawford, do hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the said Board on March 28, 2024.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County and Court at Grayling, Michigan, on this 28th day of March, 2024.


Laurie Jamison, Chair
Crawford County Board of Commissioners


Jamie L. McClain
Clerk/ROD