

**A resolution confirming participation in the  
Van Buren County  
Farmland and Open Space Preservation  
Purchase of Development Rights Program  
for**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Township, Van Buren County, Michigan**

**WHEREAS**, preserving farmland and open space is important to \_\_\_\_\_ Township for generating economic revenue, providing locally grown food, providing environmental significant wildlife habitat, and is essential to maintaining the rural character of \_\_\_\_\_ Township, and

**WHEREAS**, the protection and preservation of farmland and open space is a significant policy adopted by the Township Planning Commission as documented in the Township Master Land Use Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners has adopted an ordinance establishing a countywide Farmland and Open Space Preservation Purchase of Development Rights Program in which \_\_\_\_\_ Township can participate to implement the farmland and open space preservation goals established by the Township Planning Commission and Township Board, and

**WHEREAS**, to be a recognized participant in the Van Buren County program by the Michigan Department of Agriculture, \_\_\_\_\_ Township must pass a resolution confirming its participation in the Van Buren County program,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the \_\_\_\_\_ Township Board hereby declares its intent to participate in the Van Buren County Farmland and Open Space Preservation Purchase of Development Rights Program and hereby directs the Township Clerk to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Van Buren County Clerk and the Director of the Van Buren County Planning Commission.

**ADOPTION**

This Ordinance was approved and adopted by the \_\_\_\_\_ Township Board, Van Buren County, Michigan on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2005, by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_no, \_\_\_\_\_ abstain, and \_\_\_\_\_ absent.

The names of the Township Board members and their votes are as follows:

Name	YES	NO
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**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the \_\_\_\_\_ Township Board at a meeting held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2005, the original of which is on file in my office and available to the public. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. Act No. 167 of the Public Acts of Michigan 1976, including in case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by posting at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time set for said meeting.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2005 \_\_\_\_\_  
Township Clerk