

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING FOUR YEAR TERMS FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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WHEREAS, State Senators, some county officials and township officials are elected for terms of four-years; and,

WHEREAS, the office of County Commissioner is required by state law to serve two-year terms; and,

WHEREAS, due to the two-year term, considerable expense is incurred through frequent campaigning and elections, not to mention loss of productivity; and,

WHEREAS, a two-year term denies to the electorate the abilities and expertise that can be developed in a four-year term; and,

WHEREAS, a four-year term for county commissioners would provide greater continuity in county government; and,

WHEREAS, HB 4760 and HB 4761 have been introduced by Rep. Rick Johnson to provide four-year terms for county commissioners; and,

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties is urging that HB 4760 and HB 4761 be passed calling for four-year terms for county commissioners; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby supports the four-year terms for county commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to all counties, state legislators and the Governor for the State of Michigan.