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DATE: March 19, 2008

SUBJECT: Resolution Amending Bond Resolution #06-0252 which approved  
Capital Improvement Bond Series 2006A to add a General Board of  
Commissioner Representative to the Public Safety and Justice  
Committee

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

It is requested that the Board of Commissioners approve an amendment to Bond Resolution #06-0252 which approved Capital Improvement Bond Series 2006A, to add a general Board of Commissioner representative to the Public Safety and Justice Committee.

**BACKGROUND:**

On November 15, 2006, the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners approved a Bond Resolution (Resolution #06-0252) which authorized the sale of \$21,675,000 in bond money to fund the expansion of the Washtenaw County Jail, along with jail infrastructure upgrades and expansion of jail support systems. Under paragraph 32 of the approved Bond Resolution, the Public Safety and Justice Committee was empowered to approve contracts, expenditures and any other matters pertaining to the jail expansion project. The Public Safety and Justice Committee consisted of the following members: (1) Chair of the Board of Commissioners; (2) County Administrator; (3) Chief of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit Court; (4) Chief of the 14-A District Court; and (5) County Sheriff.

On March 5, 2008 the Board of Commissioners approved Resolution #08-0041 which added a general Board of Commissioner representative as the sixth member of the Public

Safety and Justice Committee. Commissioner Ken Schwartz was appointed to that position.

**DISCUSSION:**

As noted above, Bond Series 2006A, which funded the jail expansion and related projects created a five-person Public Safety and Justice Committee to approve bond-funded contracts, expenditures and other matters related to the jail expansion capital improvement project. Recently, the Board of Commissioners approved Resolution #08-0041 adding a general Board of Commissioner representative as the sixth member of this Committee. Commissioner Schwartz was appointed to this position.

To avoid any confusion on whether Commissioner Schwartz is permitted to review and approve expenditures related to the jail expansion project, it is necessary to amend the Bond Resolution which approved Bond Series 2006A. The pending Resolution amends paragraph 32 of this Bond Resolution to specifically state that the Public Safety and Justice Committee will add an additional member representing the Board of Commissioners, thus bringing the total membership of the Public and Safety Justice Committee to six members.

A RESOLUTION AMENDING BOND RESOLUTION #06-0252, WHICH AUTHORIZED BOND FUNDING FOR THE WASHTENAW COUNTY JAIL EXPANSION PROJECT, TO ADD A GENERAL BOARD OF COMMISSIONER MEMBER TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE WHICH WAS AUTHORIZED TO OVERSEE EXPENDITURES OF THE BOND FUNDS ISSUED UNDER THAT RESOLUTION

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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WHEREAS, on November 15, 2006, the Board of Commissioners approved Resolution #06-0252 which authorized \$21,675,000 in bond money ("Bond Series 2006-A) to pay for the expansion of the Washtenaw County Jail and related jail projects; and

WHEREAS, part of the Bond Resolution approving Bond Series 2006-A, created the Public Safety and Justice Committee and authorized it to approve contracts, expenditures, and any other matters pertaining to the jail expansion project paid for by bond funding from Bond Series 2006-A ; and

WHEREAS, as approved under Resolution #06-0252, the Public Safety and Justice Committee consisted of the following members: (1) Chair of the Board of Commissioners; (2) County Administrator; (3) Chief of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit Court; (4) Chief of the 14-A District Court; and (5) County Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2008 the Board of Commissioners approved Resolution #08-0041 which added a general Board of Commissioner representative as the sixth member of the Public Safety and Justice Committee; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2008, the Board of Commissioners approved the appointment of Commissioner Ken Schwartz to serve as the general Board of Commissioner representative to the Public Safety & Justice Committee; and

WHEREAS, to avoid any question of whether Commissioner Schwartz has the authority to vote along with the rest of the Public Safety and Justice Committee on issues pertaining to the Jail Expansion projects, it is necessary to amend Bond Resolution #06-0252 to specifically indicate that the Public Safety and Justice Committee is now comprised of six members, including a general representative of the Board of Commissioners.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners amends Paragraph 32 of Bond Resolution #06-0252, entitled "Approval

of Expenditures and Contracts” by adding a general representative of the Board of Commissioners as the sixth member of the Public Safety and Justice Committee.