

A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE WASHTENAW COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT'S GREEN INFORMATION GUIDE FOR BEING RECOGNIZED AS THE MICHIGAN RECYCLING COALITION'S "OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM"

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 4, 2008

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners approved the Washtenaw County Solid Waste Management Plan, 1999 Update, on April 15, 2000; and

WHEREAS, The Solid Waste Management Plan established goals to increase diversion of solid waste and defines waste reduction and recycling initiatives and strategies needed to meet the long-term solid waste management goals of the county; and

WHEREAS, In 2006 Washtenaw County Department of Planning and Environment developed the Green Information Guide compact disc, and

WHEREAS, The Green Information Guide (GIG) provides a toolbox of information for business, schools, lake owners, local units of governments and its citizens the ability to access PDF files for reproduction, links to websites with detailed information and a few short videos about best environmental management practices; and

WHEREAS, The CD allows the users to print off their own materials instead of requesting from the Washtenaw County Solid Waste Department, mandates a conversation with local units of government and annual includes updating of information to provide the most accurate resources; and

WHEREAS, The Green Information Guide provides the ability for citizens to access to files and view videos without high speed internet; over 5,000 Green Information Guides have been distributed through the County's library system and every public library has been given copies; and

WHEREAS, Each year the Michigan Recycling Coalition (MRC) recognizes individuals, businesses, and organizations throughout the state for innovative recycling, composting, and waste management education programs; and

WHEREAS, By recognizing and publicizing innovative programs, the Michigan Recycling Coalition hopes to increase the effectiveness of resource recovery efforts throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Recycling Coalition has announced that Washtenaw County's Green Information Guide has been awarded "Outstanding Community Education Program";

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby congratulates the Washtenaw County Department of Planning and Environment's Solid Waste Program for the Green Information Guide's recognition as "Outstanding Community Education Program," awarded by the Michigan Recycling Coalition.