

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SALINE HISTORIC DOWNTOWN ALLIANCE IN THEIR APPLICATION FOR THE MICHIGAN MAIN STREET PROGRAM – SELECT LEVEL

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

November 2, 2011

WHEREAS, the Saline City Council has discussed the importance of downtown and commercial development to the Saline Community, including the adoption of a commitment to Sustain a Vibrant Downtown as part of the City of Saline Strategic Plan 2011-2012, and

WHEREAS, the Saline City Council has by vote on June 7, 2010 confirmed to the Michigan Main Street Program that the Economic Development Corporation of the City of Saline (EDC) had the support and cooperation of the Saline City Council in their application for the Michigan Main Street Program Associate Level; and

WHEREAS, the Saline City Council has by vote on July 12, 2010 authorized the execution of the Michigan Main Street Program Community Requirements and Expectations Agreement – Associate Level so that the Business Development Association (BDA) committee of the EDC is able to use the Main Street Four-Point Approach during the August 6, 2010 to March 4, 2011 term of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saline has expended substantial budgetary amounts towards the downtown in the past and foresees a continuation of said efforts in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Saline City Council has supported the participation by downtown merchants plus BDA members plus city staff in the various Michigan Main Street (MMS) program training sessions as a key vehicle to support and further that development, and

WHEREAS, the Saline City Council deems it in the best interest of the City of Saline for the Saline Historic Downtown Alliance (SHDA) to proceed with submitting an application for Select level membership in the Michigan Main Street program.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners supports the Saline Historic Downtown Alliance in their application for the Michigan Main Street Program – Select Level.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby directs the County Clerk to send a certified copy of this resolution to the Saline City Clerk.