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CHEBOYGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION #2022-13

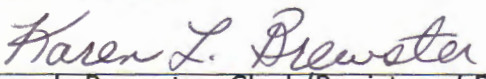
OPPOSING MICHIGAN HOUSE BILLS 4729, 4730, 4731 & 4732

- WHEREAS,** Zillow has spearheaded legislation to undermine the integrity of the Register of Deeds and Treasurer's offices across the State of Michigan greatly reducing revenues needed to fund the daily operation of both offices; and
- WHEREAS,** Zillow, a (for profit) corporation, is asking the State of Michigan legislature to pass legislation that will provide them ALL the records of the County's taxpayers from both the Register of Deeds and the Treasurer's offices at a huge discount or in some instances 100% free of charge; and
- WHEREAS,** Zillow will then sell those records for profit putting our constituents at a higher risk of fraud or theft while placing the burden to fund the offices on the taxpayers of CHEBOYGAN County; and
- WHEREAS,** The Michigan Association of County Treasurers and the Michigan Association of Register of Deeds, both bipartisan organizations, unanimously oppose these bills; Therefore, Be It
- RESOLVED** That the Cheboygan County Board of Commissioners stand in solidarity with the County Clerk/Register of Deeds and the County Treasurer to oppose HB's 4729, 4730, 4731, 4732 and stand up to corporations that data mine records for profit while placing the burden on Cheboygan County taxpayers;
Be It Further
- RESOLVED** That a copy of this resolution in opposition to the above bills be forwarded to Governor Whitmer, Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Senate Majority Leader, the Michigan Association of Counties, the Michigan Association of County Treasurers, the Michigan Association of County Clerks, and the Michigan Association of County Register of Deeds.

ADOPTED THIS 14TH DAY OF JUNE 2022



John B. Wallace, Chair
Cheboygan County Board of Commissioner



Karen L. Brewster, Clerk/Register of Deeds



Buffy Jo Weldon, Treasurer

District 1
Curtis Chambers

District 2
Richard B. Sangster
Vice-Chairman

District 3
Michael Newman

District 4
Ron Williams

District 5
Roberta Matelski

District 6
John B. Wallace
Chair

District 7
Steve Warfield

I, Karen L. Brewster the undersigned, the Clerk of the County of Cheboygan, Cheboygan, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Cheboygan County Board of commissioners at its regular meeting held on June 14, 2022, relative to adoption of the resolution therein set forth; that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court and County, this 14th day of June, 2022.



Karen L. Brewster

Cheboygan County Clerk/Register of Deeds

CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

R-120-22

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING MICHIGAN HOUSE BILLS 4729, 4730, 4731, & 4732

WHEREAS, Zillow, a for-profit corporation from Seattle, WA, has been lobbying the Michigan Legislature to pass legislation that undermines the integrity of Register of Deeds and Treasurer Offices across the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the legislation that Zillow is lobbying for would require Register of Deeds and Treasurer Office across the State of Michigan to provide for-profit corporations copies of any official records maintained by those offices at a significant discount or in some instances free of any charge. As a result, the taxpayers will be responsible for picking up the tab for providing these records and the financial burden created by the loss of revenue for these offices; and

WHEREAS, if these Bills become law, Zillow and other for-profit corporations will have the ability to demand the manner in which the Register of Deeds and Treasurer must provide copies of official records; and

WHEREAS, if these Bills become law, they would impose new restrictions and limits on what Register of Deeds and Treasurer Offices can charge for parcel cards, and would burden Michigan taxpayers with the cost to provide records to out-of-state entities and corporate organizations; and

WHEREAS, Zillow and other corporations will capitalize on selling publicly owned records, provided to them free of charge, while at the same time placing Michigan residents at a higher risk for fraud and theft; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties, Michigan Association of County Treasurers, Michigan Association of County Clerks, Michigan Association of Register of Deeds, and the Michigan Municipal League are united in opposing Michigan House Bills 4729, 4730, 4731, & 4732.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cass County Board of Commissioners OPPOSE Michigan House Bills 4729, 4730, 4731, & 4732, as private corporations should not benefit financially from public records at the expense of Michigan taxpayers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, the Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the Michigan Senate, Senator Kim LaSata, Representative Steve Carra, Representative Brad Paquette, the Michigan Association of Counties, the Michigan Association of County Treasurers, the Michigan Association of County Clerks, the Michigan Association of Register of Deeds, and the Michigan Municipal League.

ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF JUNE 2022

ATTEST:


Monica McMichael, Clerk/Register
COUNTY OF CASS


Dwight Dyes, Chair
CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Iosco County Board of Commissioners

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COURT HOUSE
Tawas City, Michigan 48763

RESOLUTION

DATE: June 1, 2022

THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

WHEREAS, Zillow has spearheaded legislation to undermine the integrity of the Register of Deeds' and Treasurers' offices across the state of Michigan, which will greatly reduce revenues needed to fund the daily operation of both offices, and,

WHEREAS, Zillow, a for profit corporation, is lobbying the State of Michigan legislature to pass legislation that will provide them copies of any official records maintained by both the Register of Deeds' and the Treasurers' offices at an insignificant fee or, in some cases, 100% free of charge and,

WHEREAS, if these Bills become law, Zillow will have the ability to demand the manner in which the Register of Deeds and Treasurer must provide copies of official records and,

WHEREAS, if these Bills become law, they would impose new restrictions and limits on what the Register of Deeds and Treasurer Offices can charge for parcel cards and,

WHEREAS, the burden to fund the Register of Deeds and the Treasury Departments would fall more heavily on the taxpayers of Iosco County due to providing official records to out-of-state entities and corporate organizations and,

WHEREAS, Zillow will profit on selling publicly owned records, provided to them free of charge, while at the same time placing Iosco County and other Michigan residents at a higher risk for fraud and theft and,

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties, the Michigan Association of County Treasurers, Michigan Association of County Clerks, the Michigan Municipal League, and the Michigan Association of Register of Deeds, all bipartisan organizations, are united in opposing Michigan House Bills 4729, 4730, 4731, 4732 and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Iosco County Board of Commissioners stand in solidarity with the Iosco County Register of Deeds and the Iosco County Treasurer to oppose HB's 4729, 4730, 4731, 4732 and stand up to corporations that data mine and benefit financially from public records at the expense of the taxpayers and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution in opposition to the above bills be forwarded to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Representative Jason Wentworth, Senate Majority Leader, Senator Mike Shirkey, the Senate Representative for Iosco County, Senator Jim Stamas, the House of Representatives for Iosco County, Representative Sue Allor, and the Governor of the State of Michigan, Governor Gretchen Whitmer, The Michigan Association of Counties, Michigan Association of County Treasurers, Michigan Association of County Clerks, and the Michigan Association of Register of Deeds.

Move:



Support:



Roll Call: Ayes 4

Nays 0

Absent 1

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY MICHIGAN, Your County Committee on Committees respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2022, the Michigan Supreme Court ordered that "Juneteenth", June 19, would be observed by all state courts as a paid holiday, and this year will be observed on Monday, June 20, 2022; and

WHEREAS, this is an additional holiday above what is identified in County Policy ADM-4020; and

WHEREAS, as designed, this would provide an additional holiday for ONLY court employees in Berrien County; and


WHEREAS, adding this as a holiday for only court employees places additional burden on all other county staff; and

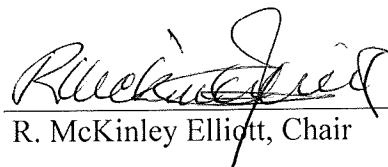
WHEREAS, in a time when Berrien County is trying to attract and retain workers to fill vacancies across the board, providing an additional holiday for only a specific group of employees would hinder that effort.

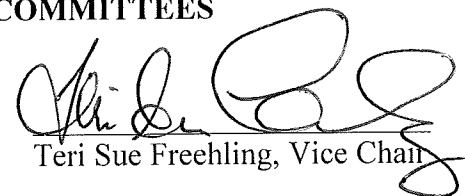
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners authorizes that June 20, 2022 will be a paid day off for all county employees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that at this time, the paid day off will only be recognized for all county staff this year, while staff looks at all the pieces and parts involved with the consideration of it in the future.

**Respectfully submitted,
BERRIEN COUNTY COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES**


Robert P. Harrison, PHSC Chair


R. McKinley Elliott, Chair


Teri Sue Freehling, Vice Chair


Jim Curran, Admin Chair

Mamie L. Yarbrough, Finance Chair

**MISSAUKEE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION 2022-6**

At a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the County of Missaukee, State of Michigan, on the 14th day of June, 2022:

Commissioners Present: Lan Bridson, Dean Smallegan, Gary Gladu, Roger Ouwinga, Frank Vanderwal, Star Hughston

Commissioners Absent: Pam Niebrzydowski

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner G.Gladu, seconded by Commissioner R. Ouwinga,

RESOLUTION 2022-6
RESOLUTION OPPOSING MICHIGAN HOUSE BILLS 4729, 4730, 4731, & 4732

WHEREAS, Zillow, a for-profit corporation from Seattle, WA, has been lobbying the Michigan Legislature to pass legislation that undermines the integrity of Register of Deeds and Treasurer Offices across the State of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the legislation that Zillow is lobbying for would require Register of Deeds and Treasurer Office across the State of Michigan to provide for-profit corporations copies of any official records maintained by those offices at a significant discount or in some instances free of any charge. As a result, the taxpayers will be responsible for picking up the tab for providing these records and the financial burden created by the loss of revenue for these offices; and

WHEREAS, if these Bills become law, Zillow and other for-profit corporations will have the ability to demand the manner in which the Register of Deeds and Treasurer must provide copies of official records; and

WHEREAS, if these Bills become law, they would impose new restrictions and limits on what Register of Deeds and Treasurer Offices can charge for parcel cards, and would burden Michigan taxpayers with the cost to provide records to out-of-state entities and corporate organizations; and

WHEREAS, Zillow and other corporations will capitalize on selling publicly owned records, provided to them free of charge, while at the same time placing Michigan residents at a higher risk for fraud and theft; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Counties, Michigan Association of County Treasurers, Michigan Association of County Clerks, Michigan Association of Register of Deeds, and the Michigan Municipal League are united in opposing Michigan House Bills 4729, 4730,

4731, & 4732.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Missaukee County Board of Commissioners OPPOSE Michigan House Bills 4729, 4730, 4731, & 4732, as private corporations should not benefit financially from public records at the expense of Michigan taxpayers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Missaukee County's State Legislative members, the Michigan Association of Counties, Michigan Association of County Treasurers, Michigan Association of County Clerks, Michigan Association of Register of Deeds, and the Michigan Municipal League.

Ayes: Bridson, Hughston, Smallegan, Vanderwal, Gladu, Ouwinga

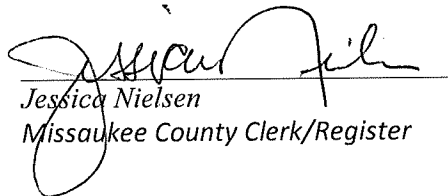
Nays: None

Absent: Niebryzdowski

Resolution declared approved dated this 14th day of June, 2022.

I, Jessica Nielsen, County Clerk/Register, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an agreement approved by the Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting on June 14, 2022.

Date: June 14, 2022



Jessica Nielsen
Missaukee County Clerk/Register