

Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners

PROCLAMATION HONORING the Michigan Association of Counties on its 125th Anniversary

WHEREAS, Michigan's 83 county governments play a central role in the proper delivery of, and oversight for, critical public services for the state's approximately 10 million residents;

WHEREAS, Michigan county governments are led by Boards of Commissioners, who are elected from their communities;

WHEREAS, The State Association of Supervisors of Michigan was formed by representatives of 16 counties on Feb. 1, 1898, in the Senate chamber of the Michigan State Capitol in Lansing;

WHEREAS, The association's name was changed to the Michigan Association of Counties on July 17, 1969;

WHEREAS, The Michigan Association of Counties is the oldest association representing local governments in Michigan;

WHEREAS, 48 of Michigan's 83 counties have had at least one of their commissioners (or supervisors prior to 1968) serve as president of the association's Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, The association created the Michigan Counties Workers' Compensation Fund in 1979 to help county members provide workplace safety and injury insurance services to its employees;

WHEREAS, The association created the Michigan Association of Counties Service Corporation in 1986 to partner with service providers to help counties save money on everything from health insurance to telecommunications services;

WHEREAS, The association hosts two major conferences every year to bring together county leaders for briefings on trending public policy issues and to hear from state newsmakers and others;

WHEREAS, The association's advocacy work in Lansing and beyond has advanced the interests of county governments and the residents they serve; and

WHEREAS, No fewer than five association presidents have served or are serving in the Michigan Legislature in the 21st century, a testament to the culture of public service inculcated by the association, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED That Kalamazoo County wishes to commend and honor the Michigan Association of Counties on its 125th Anniversary year.

Adopted: February 21, 2023

John Taylor, Chair Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
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COUNTY OF KALAMAZOO)

I, Meredith Place, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of Kalamazoo County, Michigan (the "County") do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a proclamation adopted by the Board of Commissioners at a meeting held on February 21, 2023. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed by signature this 22nd Day of February 2023.



Meredith Place County Clerk/Register of Deeds