

Township of Birch Run
Saginaw County, Michigan

Resolution Opposing Michigan House Bill 4780,
The Township Consolidation Act, and its Companion
Bills
2007-13

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Birch Run, Saginaw County, Michigan, held at the Township Meeting Room on the 11th day of September 2007, at 7 o'clock P. M. Eastern Standard Time.

PRESENT: Earl Schlegel, Amy Cook, Debbie Trevino, Mike Marr, Joanne Strahm, Jeff Putnam, and Ed Magnus

ABSENT: none

The following resolution was made by Putnam and supported by Magnus:

WHEREAS, legislation has been introduced in the Michigan House of Representatives, specifically HR 4780 and its companion bills, which would remove the functions of elections, tax collections, and assessing from the control of Township Officials, and shift said functions to the counties; and

WHEREAS, the townships would be responsible to pay the counties for the cost of performing the above stated functions; and

WHEREAS, although this legislation was introduced as a cost saving initiative, there is no evidence of cost saving, and a recent study by Michigan State University has concluded that in the assessing function, said legislation would result in higher cost; and

WHEREAS, this municipality believes that the health, safety and welfare of its residents will be best served if the functions of elections, tax collection and assessing remain under the operation and control of Township Officials.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that this Board stands in opposition to *The Township Consolidation Act*, HR 4780, and its companion bills.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

Deas: Trevino, Cook, Magnus, Marr, Strahm, Putnam, and Schlegel


Days: None

Abstentions: None

**STATE OF MICHIGAN)
COUNTY OF SAGINAW)**

I, the fully qualified and acting Clerk of the Township of Birch Run, Saginaw County, Michigan, do hereby certify the foregoing is a true and complete Copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Birch Run, Michigan, held on the 11th day of September 2007, the original of said meeting was given to and in compliance with Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto fixed my official signature on this 12th day of September 2007.



**Amy Cook, Clerk
Birch Run Township**