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RESOLUTION #20-02 ~~20-04~~

**Declaration of Shoreline Disaster Request
Pinconning Township, Bay County, Michigan**

At the regular meeting of the Pinconning Township Board of Trustee's, Pinconning Township Hall, County of Bay, State of Michigan on March 26, 2020.

PRESENT: *All present 5*
ABSENT: *0*

The following Resolution was offered by:



WHEREAS, record high water levels in the Great Lakes as well as the bay and rivers connected to them, have contributed toward major erosion on beaches and shorelines all across the state of Michigan during high water levels and currently throughout 2019, and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the Michigan winter with ice flows and jams will continue to worsen the already bad situation throughout the Great Lakes, and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes are Michigan's most vital and precious resource, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Pinconning Recognizes the effects of storms, high water, and wind driven wave action that are causing severe erosion of the shoreline as well as related infrastructure damage, and

WHEREAS, the Public Trust Doctrine states that the sovereign holds in trust, for the public use, the resources such as the shoreline regardless of private property ownership, and

WHEREAS, the 23,288 miles of shoreline in the State of Michigan must be protected as referred to in the Public Trust Doctrine, and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes are the State of Michigan's economic and property value driver for the tax base along the shoreline and connecting tributaries, and

WHEREAS, the conditions of the Great Lakes shoreline affect businesses and the tourism industry by limited access to the beaches, the loss of property along the shoreline directly affects the local, county and state tax base: and the effects on municipal water systems and the inland water levels throughout the state are all affected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Pinconning Township Board of Trustees requests that the Governor of the State of Michigan along with the State Legislature give favorable consideration to the declaration of the shoreline in the State of Michigan as a disaster area, and seek assistance from Congress and the President of the United States for this devastating situation which has an impact state wide.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing from this resolution shall require any action by the Pinconning Township Board of Trustees.

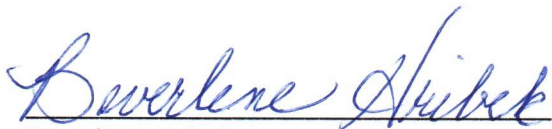
Roll Call Vote

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED



Beverlene Hribek

Pinconning Township Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Pinconning Township Board of Trustees, Bay County, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on March 26, 2020 and 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, as amended, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept well and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.