## A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO JEFF DOWLING FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF SALINE AND ALL RESIDENTS OF WASHTENAW COUNTY

## WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## April 17, 2013

WHEREAS, Washtenaw County recognizes the accomplishments of Jeff Dowling and his receipt of the "Saline Salutes" 2013 Citizen of the Year award; and

WHEREAS, Jeff prides himself in his commitment to faith, family and community; and

WHEREAS, Jeff is the proud husband to Lorenda, father to Melissa and Lisa, step father to Isaiah and Jeremiah; and grandfather to Greg, Graceland, Blane, and Nolan; and

WHEREAS, Jeff's career has offered him a variety of experiences, such as owner/operator of Tom's Foods, employee of LaFontaine in Dexter, work for the Yellow Pages company, and then back to LaFontaine in Saline; and

WHEREAS, Jeff was diagnosed, fought and is winning his battle with leukemia; and

WHEREAS, the events in Jeff's life helped him to establish a strong commitment to the community of Saline through the Saline Area Chamber of Commerce, Saline Fiddlers, the Saline Fair, Saline Main Street, various Saline athletic programs, and many other community based activities; and

WHEREAS, Jeff's bond with the community of Saline remains strong, for he also supports the American Cancer Society and recently helped to raise over \$30,000; and

WHEREAS, Jeff approaches each day in a manner that others will witness his love for life and his never ending willingness to make a difference in the lives of others.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby honors and expresses its congratulations to Jeff Dowling for his receipt of the "Saline Salutes" 2013 Citizen of the Year Award and recognizes his ongoing commitment to improve the lives of the citizens of the City of Saline and Washtenaw County.