

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO LEILA BAUER FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO
THE CITIZENS OF WASHTENAW COUNTY

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 17, 2013

WHEREAS, Washtenaw County recognizes the retirement of Leila Bauer after serving forty-one years in Washtenaw County; and

WHEREAS, events in Ms. Bauer's own life motivated her to begin her advocacy in the mental health field; determined to make a difference for those who, for various reasons, were unable to advocate for themselves; and

WHEREAS, although Ms. Bauer served as Washtenaw County's Chief Deputy Treasurer, she also represented our citizens by sitting on many boards and committees throughout her career, while working tirelessly to ensure the best possible services would be provided to our citizens with developmental disabilities and those who experienced mental illness; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bauer championed recipient rights in order to defend and protect our citizens with developmental disabilities and those experiencing mental illness; and

WHEREAS, some of those committees include Washtenaw County Health Organization, Washtenaw County Community Mental Health Board, Washtenaw County Human Services Board, and the Washtenaw County Health Authority; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bauer's commitment to mental health services included working closely with the State of Michigan to secure critical funding for those most in need; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bauer witnessed many changes in mental health services during her tenure with Washtenaw County, she worked to gain access to vital services that would allow our citizens with developmental disabilities and those who experience mental illness to reach their fullest potential; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Bauer not only has served Washtenaw County for many years, but she also has a long standing history of personal community involvement such as being the founding member and past president of Community Alliance, a member of the Washtenaw County Citizens Advisory Council and a past board member for the Evangelical Homes of Michigan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby honors and expresses its heartfelt appreciation to Leila Bauer for her unyielding dedication and service to the citizens of Washtenaw County during the past forty-one years, and wishes her a happy retirement.

Felicia Brabec, Chair, Ways & Means Committee
Washtenaw County Commissioner, District 4