

A RESOLUTION OF HONOR AND APPRECIATION TO PAT KELLY, FOR HER SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO DEXTER TOWNSHIP AND HER COMMUNITY EFFORTS FOR DEXTER TOWNSHIP AND WASHTENAW COUNTY RESIDENTS

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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WHEREAS, the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners recognizes Pat Kelly for her significant commitment and outstanding service to Dexter Township and Washtenaw County; and

WHEREAS, after a 32-year career in the automotive industry, Ms. Kelly retired from General Motors as a senior project engineer in 2002 upon her appointment to the position of Dexter Township Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kelly has devoted 12 years of public service as the Dexter Township Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, during her term as Supervisor, Ms. Kelly has supported community planning and zoning efforts with her service on the Dexter Township Zoning Board of Appeals, Chelsea Area Planning Team, Dexter Area Regional Team and Washtenaw County Planning Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kelly has advocated for local and regional transportation planning efforts with her service on the Washtenaw Area Transportation Study and her work on the Chelsea Area Regional Plan, Washtenaw County Transit Master Plan and Chelsea/Dexter Area Access Plan; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kelly led efforts in Dexter Township to improve the level of fire, police and emergency response services by establishing and serving on the Dexter Township Public Safety Advisory Committee, whose work and recommendations resulted in a dramatic improvement in the level of emergency services at a significant cost savings and the establishment of a manned fire substation within the township; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kelly has championed regional fire and emergency response improvements with her service on the Dexter Area Fire Department Board, Chelsea Area Fire Authority Administrative Board and Dexter/Scio Regional Fire Committee; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kelly has served on the Washtenaw County Police Services Steering Committee since its inception in 2006 and worked diligently to bridge the divide between contracting and non-contracting municipalities, to promote transparency and accountability in contract pricing for police services and to foster a positive relationship between contracting units and the Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kelly has been a leader on many issues of countywide significance and organized bringing together her peers and colleagues by convening and moderating monthly Chief Elected Official meetings; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kelly led Dexter Township's response to a devastating tornado in 2012 and worked tirelessly and diligently to establish communication channels with affected residents, safely coordinate volunteer efforts to aid in the massive clean-up, and, with significant and important assistance from the County and Road Commission, supported and led township efforts to remove debris and fallen trees from private property at little or no cost to residents; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby honors and expresses its sincere appreciation and deepest respect to Pat Kelly for her service and commitment to improving the quality of life for the citizens of Dexter Township and Washtenaw County. We wish Pat Kelly continued health and happiness in all of her future endeavors.

Yousef Rabhi – District 8
Chair of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners

Kent Martinez-Kratz – District 1
Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners