

**A resolution confirming participation in the
Van Buren County
Farmland and Open Space Preservation
Purchase of Development Rights Program
for**

_____ Township, Van Buren County, Michigan

WHEREAS, preserving farmland and open space is important to _____ Township for generating economic revenue, providing locally grown food, providing environmental significant wildlife habitat, and is essential to maintaining the rural character of _____ Township, and

WHEREAS, the protection and preservation of farmland and open space is a significant policy adopted by the Township Planning Commission as documented in the Township Master Land Use Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners has adopted an ordinance establishing a countywide Farmland and Open Space Preservation Purchase of Development Rights Program in which _____ Township can participate to implement the farmland and open space preservation goals established by the Township Planning Commission and Township Board, and

WHEREAS, to be a recognized participant in the Van Buren County program by the Michigan Department of Agriculture, _____ Township must pass a resolution confirming its participation in the Van Buren County program,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the _____ Township Board hereby declares its intent to participate in the Van Buren County Farmland and Open Space Preservation Purchase of Development Rights Program and hereby directs the Township Clerk to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Van Buren County Clerk and the Director of the Van Buren County Planning Commission.

ADOPTION

This Resolution was approved and adopted by the _____ Township Board, Van Buren County, Michigan on the _____ day of _____ 2005, by a vote of _____, _____no, _____ abstain, and _____ absent.

The names of the Township Board members and their votes are as follows:

Name	YES	NO
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the _____ Township Board at a meeting held on the _____ day of _____ 2005, the original of which is on file in my office and available to the public. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. Act No. 167 of the Public Acts of Michigan 1976, including in case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by posting at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time set for said meeting.

Dated _____, 2005 _____
Township Clerk