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RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING ENABLING ACTS

WHEREAS, local planning at the city, village, township and county level in Michigan is governed by the Michigan Planning Enabling Act of 2008, and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Planning and Michigan Association of Regions is proposing legislation for the performance of regional planning in Michigan, and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Association of Planners and the Michigan Association of Regions both have an interest in seeing the Regional Planning Enabling Legislation is fair, comprehensive, and protects and preserves the rights of the citizens of each of the regions, and

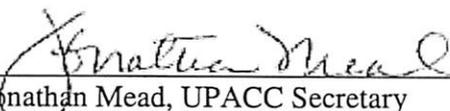
WHEREAS, the regional boundaries are defined by the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration as the boundaries of the EDA's Economic Development Districts, and

WHEREAS, the Regional Planning Commissions/Councils of Government were established by local units of government to address the needs of the local units of government, and

WHEREAS, Michigan Association of Regions represents the fourteen Regional Commissions and Councils of Government,

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Upper Peninsula Association of County Commissioners (UPACC) feel that the local units of government as represented by Michigan Association of Regions should be equal participants in the consolidation of the Regional Planning Enabling Legislation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is the opinion of the Upper Peninsula Association of County Commissioners that any changes in the boundaries of the regions, at the state or federal level, should be made in collaboration with local units of government who make up the membership of each Regional Planning Commission or Council of Governments in accordance with state and federal law.


Jonathan Mead, UPACC Secretary

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