CITY OF HARTFORD COUNTY OF VAN BUREN STATE OF MICHIGAN RESOLUTION 2023 - 025 EARLY VOTING AGREEMENT



At a Regular meeting of the City of Hartford Commission at 19 West Main Street called to order by Mayor Richard A. Hall on September 25, 2023 at 7:30pm.

The following resolution was offered:

Moved by Commissioner ______ and supported by Commissioner ______.

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2022, Michigan voters overwhelming approved a Constitutional Amendment, which in part entitles voters, once registered, to vote early and in-person at an early voting site for all statewide and federal elections; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Legislature has codified early voting requirements in PA 81 of 2023; and

WHEREAS, such early voting site, according to PA 81 of 2023 must be open for nine (9) consecutive days for at least eight hours each day, beginning on the second Saturday before the election and ending on the Sunday before the election, and

WHEREAS, PA 81 of 2023 provides local municipal entities with options for early voting, including the ability of local units to combine with other municipal entities to establish a single precinct or precincts for early voting; and

WHEREAS, PA 81 of 2023 requires the City to notify the County Clerk 150 days before federal or statewide election whether the City will conduct early voting on its own or via a County municipal agreement. For the 2024 presidential primary election, this information is due to the County Clerk on or before September 25, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford finds it impractical to establish its own early voting location, as it cannot provide the necessary equipment, staffing and hours for an early voting site; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford wishes to join with other Van Buren County municipalities to establish its early voting location at the Van Buren County Building, 57418 CR 681, Hartford Michigan, 49057; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford has determined that the designation of the Van Buren County Building as its early voting location is appropriate because it meets all standards required for an early voting location.

NOW, **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, The Early Voting Precinct for all City of Hartford registered voters will be located at and is designated at Van Buren County Building located at 57418 CR 681, Hartford MI 49057; and

1. City of Hartford approves the early voting/precinct County agreement with other Van Buren County municipal entities and Van Buren County and authorizes the Clerk to sign it on behalf of the City; and

- 2. The City Clerk shall have the authority to determine and to separately address whether and where an early voting site will be established for elections that are not federal or state-wide elections (IE school board, millage questions). If an early voting site is different than that established in this Resolution, the Clerk must make notifications as required by PA 81 of 2023.
- 3. The City Clerk shall submit a copy of this Resolution or other designation of its early voting location to the Van Buren County Clerk no later than September 25, 2023.

YEAS: Commissioners

NAYS: Commissioner ABSENT: Commissioner

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED DATE: September 25, 2023

RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, City Clerk

I RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, Clerk for the City of Hartford, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the City Commission of the City of Hartford during a meeting held on September 25, 2023 Date: , 2023

RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, City Clerk City of Hartford 19 West Main Street, Hartford MI 49057