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WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Lansing adopted the Town of Lansing Flag and Banner Display Policy on June 20, 2018, governing the display of flags and banners on Town property, including Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, the Policy provides that, in the event a flag is the subject of a permit application and is not included on the list of approved flags, the Town Clerk shall forward the application to the Town Board for determination; and

WHEREAS, the Policy further provides that the Town Board shall determine whether such flag is generally recognized on a national or international level and was created or issued as:

- (i) an officially recognized flag of the United States; or
- (ii) a flag created or issued in relation to a national observance month proclaimed by Act of Congress, Presidential Proclamation, or Executive Order; and

WHEREAS, an application has been submitted requesting approval to display the Pan-African flag at the Town of Lansing Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, the Pan-African flag is internationally recognized as a symbol of unity, pride, and shared heritage among people of African descent; and

WHEREAS, the Pan-African flag is customarily used in connection with federally recognized observances in the United States such as Black History Month, African-American heritage celebrations, and other national commemorations; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board finds that the Pan-African flag is nonpartisan in nature, is not associated with political advocacy, and is consistent with the intent and requirements of the Town of Lansing Flag and Banner Display Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed the permit application and determined that the Pan-African flag satisfies the criteria set forth in the Policy and that the proposed display at Town Hall complies with all applicable provisions thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lansing hereby determines that the Pan-African flag is generally recognized on an international level and is customarily associated with national observances recognized by the United States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Pan-African flag is hereby added to the Town of Lansing's list of approved flags under the Town of Lansing Flag and Banner Display Policy, adopted June 20, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the display of the Pan-African flag at the Town of Lansing Town Hall is hereby approved in accordance with said Policy.

The question of the adoption of such proposed Resolution was duly motioned by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_ duly seconded by Councilperson \_\_\_\_\_, and put to a roll call vote with the following results:

Councilperson Judy Drake –

Councilperson Christine Montague –

Supervisor Ruth Groff –

Councilperson Laurie Hemmings –

Councilperson Joseph Wetmore –

Accordingly, the foregoing Resolution was approved, carried, and duly adopted on February 19, 2026.