## Resolution

WHEREAS, the City of Madison Heights ("City") strives to reduce energy use and expenditures in its operations and encourages and supports its residents, businesses and others to make similar efforts; and,

WHEREAS, the viability of many local government energy-related initiatives is determined by regulations set by state or federal regulatory agencies, such as the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC); and,

WHEREAS, implementation of many local government energy-saving efforts depends on the support and participation of regulated utilities; and,

WHEREAS, the infrastructure and operations of regulated utilities may also impact economic development, environmental quality, quality of life, uses of roadways and public easements and other issues of vital concern to local governments; and,

WHEREAS, the ability of regulatory agencies and regulated utilities to consider and serve the needs of municipal governments may be hindered by lack of organized priorities, agreed positions, consistent and expert representation among the hundreds of local governments within the state of Michigan; and,

WHEREAS, municipalities individually lack the staffing capacity, technical and legal knowledge and economic or political power to consistently and effectively monitor and influence proceedings of the MPSC and other regulatory bodies, or to influence the business policies and practices of regulated utilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Michigan Municipal Association for Utility Issues (MI-MAUI), a non-profit research and education organization, has formed to give municipalities a more powerful, consistent, informed and unified voice in regulatory and utility matters; and,

WHEREAS, membership in MI-MAUI is open to any local government in the State of Michigan, with membership fees determined according to each member's annual utility billings; and,

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the City of Madison Heights is joining MI-MAUI at a 2023 membership cost not to exceed \$2,000; and,

Further, be it resolved that the City of Madison Heights appoints City Manager, Melissa Marsh to serve as its representative to MI-MAUI.

> Roslyn Grafstein Mayor

Tova D. Aaron Councilwoman

Sean D. Fleming Councilman

Mark A. Bliss Mayor Pro Tem

> Emily J. Rohrbach Councilor

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