KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP COMPLETE STREETS RESOLUTION 2011-11

At a regular meeting of the Kinross Charter Township Board, called to order at 7:00 PM held on September 19, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was offered

WHEREAS, increasing walking and bicycling offers the potential for greater health of the population, and more livable communities; and

WHEREAS, A Complete Street is safe, comfortable, and convenient for travel by automobile, foot, bicycle, and transit regardless of age or ability, and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Legislature has passed Complete Streets legislation that requires the Michigan Department of Transportation and local governments to consider all users in transportation related projects; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Planning Enabling Act has been amended, requiring that all transportation improvements identified in a plan are appropriate to the context of the community and considers all legal users of the public right of way; and

WHEREAS, Complete Streets support economic growth and community stability by providing accessible and efficient connections between home, school, work, recreation and retail destinations by improving the pedestrian and vehicular environments throughout communities; and

WHEREAS, Complete Streets enhance safe walking and bicycling options for school-age children, in recognition of the objectives of the national Safe Routes to School program; and

WHEREAS, the Kinross Charter Township recognizes the importance of street infrastructure and modifications such as sidewalks, crosswalks, shared use paths, bicycle lanes, signage, narrow vehicle lanes and accessible curb ramps, that enable safe, convenient, and comfortable travel for all users; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that Kinross Charter Township, to the extent feasible, will include Complete Streets design considerations and practices as a routine part of infrastructure planning and implementation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Kinross Charter Township supports the future development of a non-motorized transportation plan and a Complete Streets ordinance that supports ease of use and safety for all users of transportation systems within the Kinross Charter Township.

The foregoing RESOLUTION was offered by David Kauer and supported by Brenda Case.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Yeas Palma, Besteman, Munro, O'Brien, Kauer Case and DeWitt Nays XXXXXX Absent XXXXXX

The Clerk declared the Motion carried and the Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting held on the 19th day of September 2011.

Marin Besteman Marvin Besteman, Clerk

Lawrence J. Palma