RESOLUTION No. 132503

OPPOSE TOWNSHIP CONSOLIDATION INTO COUNTY GOVERNMENT
MHENERY TOWNSHIP, MCHENRY, County, Illinois.

Whereas **SB 2504, SB 2217** and **HB 2515,** introduced by the 113th Illinois General Assembly in March 2025 is asking for the consolidation of township government.

WHEREAS The Board of Township Trustees of the Township of MCHENRY in the County of MCHENRY is opposed to these initiatives and recognizes that Townships in Illinois provide many services outside of the three statutory obligations of road and bridge maintenance, property assessment and general assistance; and

WHERAS, The Board Trustees of Township Trustees of the Township of MCHENRY recognize the following:

The legislation does not consider that over 72,000 miles of roads are maintained by road districts in Illinois and approximately 12,000 bridges; and

That current state law exists that allows a township to consolidate if the initiative is brought with voter approval; and

Past attempts like those provided for in this legislation have failed in Illinois; and

The research has proven that such attempts result in increased costs overall for local government; and

Township Government has the lowest debt and expense per capital in local government and taxpayers; and

WHEREAS the Township of MCHENRY in the County of MCHNERY will only support any statewide effort of township consolidation if valid cost impact analysis is completed and proof that the level of and breadth of services provided, which the electors have voted to maintain (Senior & Disabled Bus Service, General & Emergency Assistance, Parks & Recreation etc.) will remain.

This would eliminate many community-based services that are important to the public.

PASSED THIS 13TH day of MARCH 2025 by then The Township Board of Trustees duly assembled at the MCHENRY Township, MCHENRY County, Illinois.

TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR *TOWNSHIP CLERK*

TOWN OF McHENRY
SEAL
McHENRY COUNTY, IL

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