

**RESOLUTION 1999-26**  
**OPPOSING NON-RESIDENTS RIGHT TO VOTE**

WHEREAS, there is a bill before the Michigan Senate regarding a proposed amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963 to permit non-residents who pay ad valorem property tax on real property located in a political subdivision the right to vote on local issues, tax limit increases, or bond issues; and

WHEREAS, Senate Joint Resolution 1, introduced by Senator Jaye, would negatively impact the voter registration process, be a record keeping nightmare, and a very costly expense, not to mention the problem small counties and schools would have in passing a millage; and

WHEREAS, non-residents, who can afford to own recreational and/or vacation properties, understand that these properties are subject to tax before they buy it, and taxation without representation does not apply.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Clinton County Board of Commissioners vehemently opposes any legislative action which would allow non-residents the right to vote on tax issues as proposed by Senate Joint Resolution 1, and asks that this matter be further researched and reconsidered because of the major impact involved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Governor John Engler, Senator Mike Rogers, Representative Larry Julian and Valde Garcia and the Michigan Association of Counties.

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF CLINTON

I, Diane Zuker, Clerk of the County of Clinton do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Clinton County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held November 30, 1999 as on file in the records of this office.

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Diane Zuker, Clinton County Clerk