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## RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN

Resolution in Support of Implementation of the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation Program in Michigan

Whereas the Charter Township of Canton Fire Department provides Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT) services for township residents, which includes many Medicaid beneficiaries;

Whereas the GEMT program available through the United States Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services provides reimbursement to public providers for services provided to Medicaid patients;

Whereas the State of Michigan is not currently participating in the GEMT program, which is a voluntary enrollment program at both the state and local levels;

Whereas the emergency services sector has struggled with workforce retention and recruiting in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic;

Whereas the GEMT program will help Michigan public agencies including the Township of Canton retain and hire employees;

Whereas the GEMT program has shown to expand access, quality, and sustainability of emergency services for Medicaid recipients for public providers;

Whereas the MI-GEMT coalition is advocating for the passage of legislation directing the the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services to enroll in the GEMT program; and

Whereas the MI-GEMT coalition includes the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs, Michigan Municipal League, Michigan Townships Association; now, therefore be it;

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton:

- 1. supports the implementation of the Ground Emergency Medical Transportation Program in Michigan; and
- 2. urges the Michigan State Legislature to adopt legislation directing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services to enroll in the GEMT program through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services State Plan Amendment process.

Ayes: Borninski, Foster, Ganguly, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Sneideman

Nays:

None None

Absent:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 14th Day of May, 2024 and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Dated: May 15, 2024

Michael Siegrist, Clerk Charter Township of Canton