

INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE SIDE

# COUNTY PROPOSAL PETITION

(COUNTYWIDE)

If the petition circulator does not comply with all of the requirements of the Michigan election law for petition circulators, any signature obtained by that petition circulator on that petition is invalid and will not be counted.

CIRCULATOR OF THIS PETITION IS:  
 PAID     A VOLUNTEER

We, the undersigned, qualified and registered electors, residents in the County of Ottawa, State of Michigan, respectively petition for:  
**the Ottawa County Board of Commissioners to adopt a resolution providing for the submission of the question of electing a charter commission for the purpose of framing and submitting to the electorate a county home rule charter.**

**WARNING - A PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY SIGNS THIS PETITION MORE THAN ONCE, SIGNS A NAME OTHER THAN HIS OR HER OWN, SIGNS WHEN NOT A QUALIFIED AND REGISTERED ELECTOR, OR SETS OPPOSITE HIS OR HER SIGNATURE ON A PETITION, A DATE OTHER THAN THE ACTUAL DATE THE SIGNATURE WAS AFFIXED, IS VIOLATING THE PROVISIONS OF THE MICHIGAN ELECTION LAW.**

|     | SIGNATURE | PRINTED NAME | STREET ADDRESS OR RURAL ROUTE | NAME OF CITY OR TOWNSHIP | ZIP CODE | DATE OF SIGNING |     |      |
|-----|-----------|--------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|-----------------|-----|------|
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| 10. |           |              |                               |                          |          |                 |     |      |

### CERTIFICATE OF CIRCULATOR

The undersigned circulator of the above petition asserts that he or she is 18 years of age or older and a United States citizen; that each signature on the petition was signed in his or her presence; that he or she has neither caused nor permitted a person to sign the petition more than once and has no knowledge of a person signing the petition more than once; and that, to his or her best knowledge and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person purporting to sign the petition, the person signing the petition was at the time of signing a registered elector of the City or Township indicated preceding the signature, and the elector was qualified to sign the petition.

If the circulator is not a resident of Michigan, the circulator shall make a cross [x] or check mark [✓] in the box provided, otherwise each signature on this petition sheet is invalid and the signatures will not be counted by a filling official. By making a cross or check mark in the box provided, the undersigned circulator asserts that he or she is not a resident of Michigan and agrees to accept the jurisdiction of this state for the purpose of any legal proceeding or hearing that concerns a petition sheet executed by the circulator and agrees that legal process served on the Secretary of State or a designated agent of the Secretary of State has the same effect as if personally served on the circulator.

### CIRCULATOR - DO NOT SIGN OR DATE CERTIFICATE UNTIL AFTER CIRCULATING PETITION.

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Circulator) (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed Name of Circulator)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Complete Residence Address [Street and Number or Rural Route]) - [Do not enter a post office box]

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City or Township, State, Zip Code)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(County of Registration, if Registered to Vote, of a Circulator who is not a Resident of Michigan)

**WARNING-A CIRCULATOR KNOWINGLY MAKING A FALSE STATEMENT IN THE ABOVE CERTIFICATE, A PERSON NOT A CIRCULATOR WHO SIGNS AS A CIRCULATOR, OR A PERSON WHO SIGNS A NAME OTHER THAN HIS OR HER OWN AS CIRCULATOR IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR.**



## NOTICE

This form complies with Michigan election law, MCL 168.488 and 168.544d. Before using this form, you are strongly encouraged to review the provisions of Michigan law which grant you the right to place your proposal on the ballot through a petitioning process to determine if any additional petition formatting requirements are specified. If additional requirements are specified under the governing statutes, this form cannot be used.

### READ BEFORE CIRCULATING PETITION

**Complete the heading of the petition before circulating it.**

- Enter the county where the petition will be circulated. **Do not list more than one county.**
- Enter an appropriate description of your proposal.

**Make sure that all signers complete the petition. Have each signer:**

- Sign and print his or her full name on the petition.
- Enter the street address or rural route where registered to vote. A P.O. Box provided in lieu of a residential address is not acceptable.
- Write the city or township of registration, which must be located within the county listed in the petition heading. (Note: for information regarding the signer's entry of the name of a post office or unincorporated place, see MCL 168.552a.)
- Write the zip code and date of signing.

**Complete the circulator's certificate after circulating the petition.**

- Sign and print your full name and enter the date of signing. Signatures on the petition which are dated after the date on the circulator's certificate are invalid.
- Enter your complete residence address (street and number or rural route -- do not enter a P.O. Box), city or township, and state.
- If you do not reside in Michigan, check the box located in the lower left corner of the petition sheet and enter your county of registration (if you are registered to vote in your home state).

**Remember:**

- Ask potential signers whether and where they are registered to vote. Voter registration information may be found at [Michigan.gov/Vote](http://Michigan.gov/Vote).
- Review each signer's entry for completeness. If information is omitted, ask the signer to fill in the blank(s).
- Do not leave the petition unattended.