RESOLUTION City of Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan

At a Regular meeting of the Grosse Pointe Woods City Council held November 18, 2013, the following Resolution was adopted:

Motion by Shetler, seconded by McConaghy, that the City Council adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Grosse Pointe Woods strongly values the water quality of Lake St. Clair and the Great Lakes; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes are an irreplaceable resource containing 22% of the world's and 95% of North America's fresh water vital to human and environmental health; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes are vital to the economic well-being of the area and the Nation; and

WHEREAS, Lake Huron and the connecting waters, including Lake St. Clair, are the source of drinking water for millions of people downstream in the United States, Canada and First Nation; and

WHEREAS, Michigan Act 204 of 1987, the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Authority Act, MCL 333.262201 – 333.26226, set forth siting criteria for the disposal of low-level radioactive waste. Such criteria excludes any site "located within 10 miles of Lake Michigan, Lake Superior, Lake Huron, Lake Erie, St. Mary's River, Detroit River, St. Clair River of Lake St. Clair;" and

WHEREAS, to protect water quality, other siting criteria of Act 204 excludes sites (1) located within a 500 year floodplain; (2) located over a sole source aquifer or (3) located where the hydrogeology beneath the site discharges ground water to the land surface within 3,000 feet of the boundaries of the site; and

WHEREAS, no Michigan site was likely too meet all statutory siting criteria and similar siting criteria should be used in Canada and other locations in the Great Lakes Basin; and

WHEREAS, a proposal has been made for a low and intermediate level nuclear waste repository near Kincardine, Ontario, which this type of project has never been done before and which would not meet the siting criteria established under Act 204; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the appropriate legislature in the Great Lakes Basin, Canada, the United States and any First Nation property, Grosse Pointe Shores, Grosse Pointe Farms, City of Grosse Pointe, and Grosse Pointe Park.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Grosse Pointe Woods, in order to protect the Great Lakes and its tributaries, urges that neither this proposed nuclear waste repository near Kincardine, Ontario nor any other underground repository be constructed in the Great Lakes Basin, in Canada, the United States or any First Nation property.

Adopted on November 18, 2013, by the City of Grosse Pointe Woods

Vote: Passed Unanimously

Yeas: Bryant, Granger, Ketels, Koester, McConaghy, Novitke, Shetler

Nays: None

Absent: None

Signed _

Lisa Kay Hathaway, Cjty Clerk

Dated