

WHEREAS, the City of Wyandotte strongly values the water quality of the Detroit River; 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

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

WHEREAS, The Detroit River is the source of drinking water for the City of Wyandotte; and

WHEREAS, Michigan Act 204 of 1987, the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Authority Act, MCL

333.26201 -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 or 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 groundwater to the land surface within 3,000 feet of the boundaries of the site; and

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

WHEREAS, Ontario Power Generation is proposing to construct an underground long-term burial facility for all of Ontario's low and intermediate level radioactive waste at the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station, some of which is highly radioactive and much of which will remain toxic for over 100,000 years, This site, less than a mile inland from the shore of Lake Huron and about 440 yards be Low the lake level, is approximately 120 miles upstream from the main drinking water intake for the City of Wyandotte; and

WHEREAS, placing a permanent nuclear waste burial facility so close to the Great Lakes is ill-advised. The potential damage to the Great Lakes from any leak or breach of radioactivity far outweighs any benefits that could be derived from burying radioactive waste at this site, The ecology of the Lakes, which is valuable beyond measure to the health and economic well-being of this entire region, should not be placed at risk by storing radioactive waste so close to the shoreline;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Wyandotte Council, in order to protect the Great Lakes and its tributaries, urges that neither this proposed nuclear waste repository at the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station nor any other underground repository be constructed in the Great Lakes Basin, in Canada, the United States or any First Nation Property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Wyandotte urges Canadian officials to find alternatives to Ontario Power Generation's proposal to bury nuclear waste in the Great Lakes basin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be provided to the President of the United States Barack Obama, Governor Rick Snyder, State Representative Paul Muxlow, State Senator Mike Green, U.S. Senator Carl Levin, U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow, U.S. Representative Candice Miller, Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne, and Michael Binder, President and CEO of Canadian Nuclear 'Safety Commission (CNSC).

I move the adoption of the foregoing resolution.

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I, William R. Griggs, City Clerk for the City of Wyandotte, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the City of Wyandotte, at the regular meeting held on September 23, 2013.

William R. Griggs



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September 10, 2013

The Hon. Joseph Peterson
City of Wyandotte
3200 Biddle St
Wyandotte 48192

Dear Mayor Peterson:

As you may be aware Ontario Power Generation (OPG) is proposing to construct an underground nuclear waste dump off the shore of Lake Huron in Kincardine, Ontario. The materials planned for disposal include intermediate nuclear waste, some of which is highly radioactive and much of which will remain toxic for 100,000 years. This proposed facility will be constructed in water soluble limestone about 440 yards below the lake level. It is upstream from the main drinking water intakes for southeast Michigan and could threaten the drinking water for 40 million people in the US and Canada. The impact of radioactive water could also be devastating to Michigan's economy and its fishing, boating, recreation, tourism, and agriculture industries that are dependent on pristine waters.

Earlier this year, I introduced Senate Resolution 58 which raised a number of concerns about OPG's nuclear waste proposal and called on Congress to ensure that these concerns were fully addressed before this project moved forward. SR 58 was adopted unanimously in the State Senate on May 22. In addition, many local governments are approving resolutions opposing this misguided project. I would encourage the City of Wyandotte to do the same. Attached is an informational packet that includes a fact sheet about this proposal from the organization Stop the Great Lakes Nuclear Dump (STGLND) and a sample of county, municipal and state resolutions that may be useful in developing your own measure. You may also wish to visit STGLND's website (www.StoptheGreatLakesNuclearDump.com) for additional information and to sign the on-line petition opposing this facility.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you should have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

HOON-YUNG HOPGOOD
State Senator
8th District

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September 24, 2013

RESOLUTION

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By Councilman Ted Miciura Jr.
Supported by Councilwoman Sheri M. Fricke

RESOLVED by the City Council that the communication from Hoon Yung Hopgood, State Senator relative to the installation of a nuclear waste dump site by Ontario Power Generation, off the shore of Lake Huron, near Kincardine, Ontario is hereby received and placed on file.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

I, William R. Griggs, City Clerk for the City of Wyandotte, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the City of Wyandotte, at the regular meeting held on September 23, 2013.

William R. Griggs
City Clerk