GREATER FLINT HEALTH COALITION

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MICHIGAN STATE SENATE MINORITY LEADER JIM ANANICH’S REQUEST FOR AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF EVENTS THAT CAUSED THE FLINT WATER CRISIS

WHEREAS, the Greater Flint Health Coalition is a Flint, Michigan based collective impact organization whose mission is to improve the health status of the residents of Genesee County and to improve the quality and cost effectiveness of the health care system in the community;

WHEREAS, the Greater Flint Health Coalition Board of Directors is composed of representatives and leadership from Flint & Genesee County’s hospitals, physicians, healthcare providers, health insurers, businesses, government agencies, educators and schools, organized labor, and community residents;

WHEREAS, the Greater Flint Health Coalition Board of Directors has engaged in multiple discussions and reviewed detailed information regarding the state of the City of Flint’s water supply and its potential and documented health impacts to all residents;

WHEREAS, on September 21, 2015, the Greater Flint Health Coalition Board of Directors adopted a resolution calling for an urgent Health Advisory in the City of Flint to alert the public of the multi-part impacts of elevated levels of lead in the City of Flint water supply on all residents, with emphasis on the public health threat to children;

WHEREAS, Michigan State Senator Jim Ananich has formally requested a multi-part investigation into the Flint Water Crisis, specifically that (1) the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) investigate the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ); (2) the Auditor General expand its audit of the Office of Drinking Water and Municipal Assistance to include the water crisis in Flint; and (3) the Michigan State Senate undertake hearings into the Flint water crisis in the form of a legislative investigation to force the concurrent investigations to reckon with any evidence and testimony the Senate makes public, such that an independent investigation by the legislature is crucial to determine what went wrong, how responsible parties can be held accountable, and how we can ensure something like this never happens again.
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Greater Flint
Health Coalition Board of Directors supports the formal request of
Senator Jim Ananich that the Michigan State Senate undertake a formal
legislative investigation into the Flint water crisis to determine what went
wrong, how responsible parties can be held accountable, and how we can
ensure something like this never happens again.

THIS RESOLUTION has been adopted effective November 16, 2015.

Peter Levine, Secretary

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