

TOWNSHIP OF CONSTANTINE

165 Canaris Street, Constantine, Michigan 49042

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ROAD SIGN RESOLUTION

Whereas, Constantine Township has located within its boundaries State Roads, Interstate Roads, County Roads and Private Roads, and

Whereas, the Township receives no funding for the construction, maintenance or signing of roads, and

Whereas, the St. Joseph County Road Commission has the responsibility to maintain County Roads and receives funding for that purpose, and

Whereas, the St. Joseph County Road Commission arbitrarily decided that they would not put up or replace road signs unless the Township paid for them, and

Whereas, the Constantine Township Board has never agreed with that position and further does not believe the construction, maintenance or signing of roads is the responsibility of the Township, and

Whereas, Constantine Township has been advised by its Attorney that the Township is prohibited by law from spending public funds for the construction, maintenance or signing of private roads.

Now, therefore be it Resolved;

Constantine Township will not finance the construction, maintenance or signing of private roads except by the process of creating a Special Assessment District as provided by law, and further

Constantine Township has no desire to be involved in the naming of Private Roads.

Constantine Township may approve Township funds for the improvement of existing County Roads when the Township Board determines the benefits to the Township and its residents outweigh the fact the Township has no responsibility for the construction or maintenance of said roads.

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Constantine Township may approve Township funds for the signing of County Roads when the Township Board determines the benefits to the Township and its residents outweigh the fact the Township has no responsibility for the signing of said roads.

The Constantine Township Board does not believe it should spend Township funds for the maintenance of County Roads while there are many miles of unpaved County Roads.

Constantine Township has operated under the above stated policy for many years informally and hereby adopts said policy by this formal resolution.

Moved by _____

Supported by _____

Voting Yes _____

Voting No _____

The Constantine Township Clerk hereby certifies this resolution was passed at the Regular Meeting of the Constantine Township Board on December 9, 2003

Marti Brown, Constantine Township Clerk