

MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RECOGNIZING VOTER REGISTRATION DAY

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 20th day of September, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. local time.

PRESENT:	Supervisor Jackson, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine
	Trustees Hendrickson, Wilson, Wisinski
ABSENT:	Trustee Sundland

The following Resolution was offered by Trustee Hendrickson and supported by Trustee Wisinski.

WHEREAS, The National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS) established September as National Voter Registration Month in 2002 as a nonpartisan means of encouraging voter participation and raising awareness about state-specific registration policies, deadlines and voting information; and

WHEREAS, The holiday has been endorsed by the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS), the National Association of State Election Directors (NASED), the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) and the National Association of Election Officials (The Election Center); and

WHEREAS, the Meridian Township Board recognizes the Meridian Clerk's Office is committed to the highest standards of election integrity and encourages broad voter registration, access, and citizen participation in elections among voting-eligible citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Meridian Township Board recognizes that many Americans are not able to vote because they miss a registration deadline, do not update their registration information, or are unfamiliar with how to register; and

WHEREAS, the Meridian Township Board recognizes the need for diverse partners such as nonprofits, libraries, businesses, colleges and universities, and more to work in the communities they serve to register citizens to vote; and

WHEREAS, the need for reliable and trusted public information and education on voter registration is critical to Americans' active participation in elections and the integrity of electoral processes; and

WHEREAS, the Meridian Township Board encourages the Clerk's Office to work with the Communications Department and to partner with schools and libraries on voter registration information and voter drives; and

WHEREAS, The holiday has been endorsed by the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS), the National Association of State Election Directors (NASED), the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) and the National Association of Election Officials (The Election Center).

THEREFORE, NOW BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Meridian Township Board shall declare September 20, 2022 as National Voter Registration Day and commits to joining national efforts to support voter registration and citizen participation in elections and directs the Clerk to send this resolution to our local community partners encouraging them to join.

ADOPTED: YEAS: <u>Supervisor Jackson, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine,</u>
Trustees Hendrickson, Wilson, Wisinski

NAYS:

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

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COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk for the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board on the 20th day of September 2022.

Deborah Guthrie, Clerk

Meridian Charter Township