CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A PARTIAL HEADLEE OVERRIDE MILLAGE PROPOSAL

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City Commission for the City of East Grand Rapids adopts the following partial Headlee Override Millage Proposal to be submitted to the electors of the City for their consideration at the general election scheduled for Tuesday, May 5, 2015:

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is authorized and directed to follow all applicable procedures required by the Michigan Election Law for the election.

YEAS:

Commissioners Dills, Graham, Johnson, Miller, Skaggs and Mayor Seibold

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

Commissioner Duncan

ABSTAIN:

None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Commission at a regular meeting on January 19, 2015, the original of which is on file in my office. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended.

Karen K. Brower, City Clerk

City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan

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