

Introduced by the County Services Committee of the:

INGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION HONORING DENNIS B. PROPST

RESOLUTION #11-003

WHEREAS, since his appointment to the Parks & Recreation Commission in June of 1997 Dennis Propst has shown a remarkable level of leadership and devotion to the idea of community involvement by actively seeking out ways to benefit the community in which he lives; and

WHEREAS, Dennis' experience, integrity, and diligence were key elements contributing to the successful transition from the Board of Ingham County Parks Trustees to the Ingham County Parks & Recreation Commission in 1997; and

WHEREAS, in addition to serving on both the Planning & Community Outreach and Budget Committees Dennis has held many positions while serving on the Parks & Recreation Commission, he served as Commission Chair from 2002-2004; as Commission Treasurer from 1998-1999; as Chair of the Budget and Personnel Committee in 1998; and as the Chair of the Planning & Community Outreach Committee in 2005 and from 2009-2010; and

WHEREAS, Dennis was able to bring into the Parks and Recreation Commission's deliberations relevant ideas and insights from his position as a professor in the Michigan State University Department of Community, Agriculture, Recreation & Resource Studies experience; and

WHEREAS, through his position as a professor at Michigan State University Dennis was able to form a partnership between CARRS students and Ingham County Park Managers to bring students and field projects such as GPS Mapping and forestry projects to the parks; and

WHEREAS, Dennis played a central role in organizing Focus Groups for community needs assessments used in the development of the 2001 and 2007 Ingham County Parks Master Plans; and

WHEREAS, through his diligence, tact, and personal integrity, he has promoted a relationship of mutual respect, understanding, and cooperation between the Ingham County Parks & Recreation Commission, other local governmental agencies, and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, throughout his 13 1/2 year term as a Parks and Recreation Commission member, Dennis has helped to advance, develop, and implement effective parks policies; and

WHEREAS, Dennis' efforts have contributed to the Parks Department's ability to provide exceptional service to the citizens of Ingham County.

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners, by adoption of this resolution, recognizes the impact and quality of Mr. Propst's work, and expresses its sincere appreciation to him for the services and benefits which have been received by the citizens of Ingham County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners extends to Mr. Propst its best wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors.

COUNTY SERVICES: Yeas: De Leon, Copedge, Celentino, Schor, Vickers, Dragonetti
Nays: None **Absent:** None **Approved 1/18/11**