BAY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY
DECEMBER 3, 2007

THE BAY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION MET ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2007 AT 8:15 A.M. IN THE OFFICE OF THE BAY COUNTY CLERK, BAY COUNTY BUILDING, 515 CENTER AVE. BAY CITY, MICHIGAN. THIS MEETING WAS CALLED FOLLOWING THE ANNOUNCEMENT PRIOR TO THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY, THAT A PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION WOULD BE CALLED IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ON JANUARY 15, 2008 BY APPEAL COURT ORDER.

ROLL CALL: RICHARD BRZEZINSKI, COUNTY TREASURER
CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK, BAY COUNTY CLERK
KAREN TIGHE, PROBATE COURT/CHAIRPERSON

THE CLERK EXPLAINED SOME OF THE SPECIFICS OF THE JANUARY 15, 2008 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION AND AS TIME WAS TO RUN SHORT ON THE PREPARATIONS THE CLERK ASKED FOR SOME IMMEDIATE ACTION OF THIS BOARD TO PROCEED.

WITH THE STATE OF MICHIGAN TO REIMBURSE THE COUNTY OF BAY FOR ALL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS FEDERAL ELECTION, THE CLERK ASKED FOR A MOTION TO CONTRACT WITH ELECTION SYSTEM AND SOFTWARE TO PROGRAM THE JANUARY BALLOT. THE COUNTY WOULD PAY THIS VENDOR FOR THEIR SERVICES AND THEREAFTER BE REIMBURSED ALL COSTS FROM THE STATE.

MOTION 1: JUDGE TIGHE MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE CLERK TO PROCEED WITH PREPARATIONS FOR THE JANUARY 15, 2008 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY BALLOT, WITH ALL COSTS TO BE REIMBURSED BY THE STATE OF MICHIGAN. TREASURER BRZEZINSKI SUPPORTED AS PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

JUDGE TIGHE HAD ATTENDED A CONFERENCE IN WHICH AN ANTIQUATED ELECTION LAW WAS DISCUSSED. THIS STATUTE REQUIRED ALL ELECTION RESULTS TO BE DELIVERED TO THE PROBATE JUDGE AT THE CLOSE OF AN ELECTION NIGHT. MANY PROBATE JUDGES INTERPRETED THIS STATUTE TO INCLUDE VERY BROAD PROCEDURES. AS THE CLERK EXPLAINED TO THE JUDGE THAT ALL ELECTION MATERIALS WERE SECURED IN A LOCKED

AND SECURED VAULT AREA, THE JUDGE WAS SATISFIED THAT THE CLERK MET THE INTENT OF THE LAW AS FAR AS SECURITY WAS CONCERNED. IN ADDITION, PROBATE JUDGE TIGHE THEN ASKED TO BE NOTIFIED UPON A CONCLUSION OF AN ELECTION NIGHT BY THE CLERK. THE CLERK AGREED AND IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE CLERK WOULD E-MAIL THE JUDGE WHEN THE ELECTION NIGHT WAS CONCLUDED.

FOLLOWING THE DISCUSSION, THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8:45 A.M. BY CONCURRENCE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK
BAY COUNTY CLERK