



**MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP RESOLUTION TO
SUPPORT CONSTITUTION WEEK**

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, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. local time.

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

ABSENT: None

The following Resolution was offered by Treasurer Deschaine and supported by Trustee Wilson.

WHEREAS, on September 17, 1787, the Constitution of the United States was signed by 39 delegates from 12 States; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States was subsequently ratified by each of the original 13 States and included the first ten amendments, known as the Bill of Rights; and

WHEREAS, James Madison and the other delegates drafted the Constitution of the United States in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty for the people of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States has provided the means and structure for the United States and the people of the United States to achieve a level of prosperity, liberty, security, and justice that is unparalleled among nations; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States was the first permanent constitution in the world adopted by elected representatives; includes seminal ideas about individual rights, the separation of powers, and the rule of law; and has inspired the constitutional systems of government of countries throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States includes amendments that specifically recognize and protect individual rights, eliminate slavery, and expand the franchise; and

WHEREAS, by joint resolution on February 29, 1952, designated September 17 as "Constitution Day and Citizenship Day" and by joint resolution on August 2, 1956 proclaim the week beginning September 17 and ending September 23 of each year as "Constitution Week."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, hereby declares the week of September 17-23, 2023 as Constitution Week and encourages all residents to join with the members of the Board in reflecting on the democratic values and principles of freedom that are embodied in the Constitution of the United States and to a greater involvement in responsible citizenship.

ADOPTED: YEAS: Supervisor Jackson, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Hendrickson, Sundland, Wilson, Wisinski

NAYS: None

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss:
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 5th day of September 2023.

Deborah Guthrie, Clerk

Meridian Charter Township