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**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A TOLL FREE
TELEPHONE LINE FOR COUNTY RESIDENTS**

WHEREAS the location of Clinton County government offices in the City of St. Johns require most of the County's residents to make a long distance telephone call when doing business with the County, and

WHEREAS the County eliminated its toll free line in 1993 when the prices for foreign exchange lines began to increase dramatically, but the technology has changed significantly since that time and the cost of toll free lines have been reduced, and

WHEREAS the Clinton County Board of Commissioners has received several resolutions from local units of government within Clinton County requesting that the County establish a toll free telephone line for use by County residents when they need to conduct County business, and the Finance Committee has studied the issue and wishes to re-establish a toll free telephone line for County residents who live outside of the local calling area on a trial basis, and

WHEREAS the County Administrator has investigated the potential cost of the lines and has recommended that \$10,000 be set aside to pay for incoming calls from County residents who live outside of the local calling area.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Clinton County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the establishment of a toll free telephone line for County residents only who live outside of the local calling area on a trial basis. The County Administrator shall review the monthly billings to ensure that the toll free line is being used for the Board's intended purpose, and shall report to the Finance Committee on the cost and level of usage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that \$10,000 shall be transferred from Contingency to the Telephone Fund budget to pay for the cost of the toll free service. If it appears that the budget for the toll free service will not be sufficient, the County Administrator shall terminate the service before the budget is exceeded unless otherwise directed by the Finance Committee.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON

I, DIANE ZUKER, Clerk of the County of Clinton do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Clinton County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held January 28, 1997 as on file in the records of this office.

Diane Zuker, County Clerk