

**RESOLUTION  
OF THE CITY OF MACKINAC ISLAND  
DATED FEBRUARY 17, 2016**

Whereas, the City of Mackinac Island was created pursuant to Local Act 437 of 1899, being a legislative charter enacted by the State of Michigan; and

Whereas, the jurisdictional limits of Mackinac Island, as stated in the charter, include all of Mackinac Island, all of Round Island, and all adjacent navigable waters a distance of one mile from the shore line of said islands; and

Whereas, the City of Mackinac Island has approximately 500 year round residents who enjoy a unique lifestyle of living without the use of motor vehicles; and

Whereas, the City of Mackinac Island has a tourist based economy, hosting approximately 800,000 visitors each season. Tourist attractions include the natural resources in and around the City of Mackinac Island which consist of pristine waters, air and forests. The local economy also relies on water related activities, including boating, sport fishing and commercial fishing; and

Whereas, the City of Mackinac Island has strived to preserve its history by protecting its waters, air and forests, utilizing such measures as land use policy, municipal water and sewer systems, a unique solid waste plan and its well known prohibition of motor vehicles; and

Whereas, Enbridge Energy Line 5 is an underwater pipeline located in the Straits of Mackinac several miles from the boundaries of the City of Mackinac Island. Line 5 is used to transport various forms of oil and gas; and

Whereas, the City of Mackinac Island believes there are serious unanswered questions regarding the safety and integrity of Line 5 due to its age, maintenance record, outdated engineering and uncertain oversight which could potentially lead to significant leakage and inadequate response procedures relating to any leakage; and

Whereas, the effect of a leak in Line 5 would have a devastating and irreversible impact upon the Island residents who could be unable to continue residing on the Island if its water source was contaminated; and

Whereas, the effect of a leak in Line 5 would have a devastating and irreversible impact on the economy of the Island as the natural resources that draw tourists, boaters, and fishermen to the area could be irreversibly damaged; and

Whereas, the effect of a leak in Line 5 would destroy the historic assets of the City of Mackinac Island; and

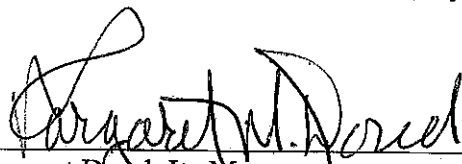
Whereas, the effect of a leak in Line 5 would damage or destroy the natural resources which the city has so carefully attempted to protect. The overall effect of leakage from Line 5 would devastate the economy, the history and a way of life on Mackinac Island; and

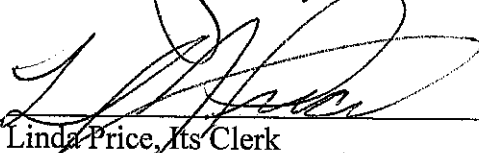
Whereas, the consequences of a leak in Line 5 require immediate protective measures, including limiting the use of Line 5 to non-oil products.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Mackinac Island, by way of its city council, hereby requests that Governor Snyder immediately limit and restrict Line 5 to the transporting of non-oil products (i.e. liquid petroleum gas and propane) until further studies are conducted and recommendations are received to insure that Line 5 is either made safe or discontinued.

**CITY OF MACKINAC ISLAND, By:**

Dated: February 17, 2016

  
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Margaret Doud, Its Mayor

  
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Linda Price, Its Clerk