Resolution No. 5 of 2016

VILLAGE OF SUTTONS BAY RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE GREAT LAKES

Whereas, the Village of Suttons Bay, a port located on the west arm of Grand Traverse Bay in Lake Michigan, 74 nautical miles from the Straits of Mackinac, has a strong tradition of promoting and protecting the waters of the Great Lakes, dedicated to the Clean Marina Initiative, working relationships with the Grand Traverse Bay Water Shed, a rain garden system maintained by volunteers, waste water discharge that exceeds federal standards, both public and private reduced surface water runoff policies, and infrastructure to remove storm water contaminants; and

Whereas, the Village of Suttons Bay works to protect the Great Lakes because they contain 20 percent of the world’s fresh, available surface water; are a drinking water source for over 40 million people; and

Whereas, more than 48 million Americans and Canadians depend on and use the Great Lakes for drinking water, recreation, manufacturing of products, power generation, commercial fishing and navigation, among other benefits; and

Whereas, benefits from the Great Lakes and it tributaries are threatened by oil spills, the release of untreated sewage, nutrient pollution, contaminated storm water runoff, and other toxic contaminants;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED that: The Village of Suttons Bay of Leelanau County supports Senate Bill 880, a bill pending in the Michigan legislature that provides a systematic and research-based process to close any pipeline located under the waters of the Great Lakes; and to forward this resolution to Governor Rick Snyder, Attorney General Bill Schuette, State Representative Ray Franz, and State Senator Darwin Booher, calling on them to support the enactment of Senate Bill 880; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Sutters Bay Village Council asks its citizens to educate themselves regarding issues of the Great Lakes and support action that will restore and protect the Great Lakes and its resources.

AYES: Brandt, Bahle, Christensen, Hollander, Bungardner and Hylwa

NAYS: Johnson

Resolution No. 5 of 2016 declared adopted.

Date: July 18, 2016

Sharon Fay
Village Clerk
I, Shar Fay, the Village Clerk of the Village of Suttons Bay, Michigan, certify and attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the Resolution adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Suttons Bay at a regular meeting of the Village Council held on July 18, 2016 at the Village Hall.

Shar Fay
Village Clerk