

**TOWNSHIP OF BIRCH RUN
SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR KEEPING THE SECRETARY OF STATE OFFICE IN
FRANKENMUTH MICHIGAN
NO. 2009-13**

At a Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board, Township of Birch Run, Saginaw County, Michigan, held at the Township Meeting Room on the 8th day of December, 2009, at 7 o'clock Eastern Standard Time.

PRESENT: Cook, Kiessler, Marr, Nelson, and Magnus

ABSENT: Trevino and Strahm

The following resolution was made by Nelson and seconded by Marr:

WHEREAS, the Michigan Secretary of State has provided a branch office in Frankenmuth for the past 19 years, and it experienced an 11% increase in transactions during the past year; and

WHEREAS, this office has been a welcome addition to our Community because of the excellent service it has provided to Birch Run and the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State recently announced that the Frankenmuth office will be closed in the near future, and this action will negatively impact the Township of Birch Run; and

WHEREAS, the Frankenmuth office serves a large regional area including significant portions of the Counties of Saginaw, Tuscola, Genesee and Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Birch Run wishes to express its support for the continued operation of the Frankenmuth office of the Secretary of State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF BIRCH RUN this Township Board urges the Secretary of State to consider the regional impact the closing of this office will have on many citizens who reside and work in the Counties of Saginaw, Tuscola, Genesee and Bay. Many of those citizens are elderly, have limited ability to drive long distances and have limited familiarity and access to internet services provided by the Secretary of State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State should consider the importance of the Frankenmuth office for our local businesses that employ hundreds of employees who live outside the City, work here and use the services of the Frankenmuth office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Birch Run Township Board urges the Secretary of State to reconsider the decision to close the Frankenmuth office and to continue its operation for many years into the future for the benefit of all citizens who live and work in this region.

YEAS: Cook, Magnus, Marr, Nelson, and Kiessler

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS: Trevino and Strahm

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

COUNTY OF SAGINAW)

I, the undersigned, the fully qualified and acting Clerk of the Township of Birch Run, Saginaw 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 of the Township of Birch Run, Michigan, held on the 8th day of December, 2009, the original of said meeting was given to and in compliance with Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto fixed my official signature on this 9th day of December 2009.

**Amy Cook, Clerk
Birch Run Township**