## CITY OF EASTPOINTE COUNTY OF MACOMB STATE OF MICHIGAN

## **RESOLUTION NO. 1767**

## OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED NUCLEAR WASTE REPOSITORY NEAR KINCARDINE, ONTARIO

WHEREAS, the City of Eastpointe City Council strongly values the water quality of Lake St. Clair and the Great Lakes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Great Lakes are an irreplaceable resource containing 22% of the world's and 95% of North America's fresh water vital to human and environmental health; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes are vital to the economic well-being of the area and the Nation; and

WHEREAS, Lake Huron and the connecting waters, including Lake St. Clair, are the source of drinking water for millions of people downstream in the United States, Canada and First Nation; and

WHEREAS, Michigan Act 204 of 1987, the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Authority Act, MCL 333.26201 – 333.26226, set forth siting criteria for the disposal of low-level radioactive waste. Such criteria excludes any site "located within 10 miles of Lake Michigan, Lake Superior, Lake Huron, Lake Erie, St. Mary's River, Detroit River, St. Clair River of Lake St. Clair"; and

WHEREAS, to protect water quality, other siting criteria of Act 204 excludes sites (1) located within a 500 year floodplain, (2) located over a sole source aquifer, or (3) located where the hydrogeology beneath the site discharges groundwater to the land surface within 3,000 feet of the boundaries of the site; and

**WHEREAS**, no Michigan site was likely to meet all statutory siting criteria and similar siting criteria should be used in Canada and other locations in the Great Lakes Basin; and

WHEREAS, a proposal has been made for a low and intermediate level nuclear waste repository near Kincardine, Ontario, which this type of project has never been done before and which would not meet the siting criteria established under Act 204; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT,** that the City of Eastpointe City Council, in order to protect the Great Lakes and its tributaries, urges that neither this proposed nuclear waste repository near Kincardine, Ontario, nor any other underground repository be constructed in the Great Lakes Basin, in Canada, the United States or any First Nation property.

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED THAT,** copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the appropriate legislature in the Great Lakes Basin, Canada, the United States and any First Nation property.

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Steve M. Duchane, City Clerk of the City of Eastpointe, Macomb County, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 1767 was offered by Councilperson Richardson, and supported by Councilperson Guastella, and the same was duly passed at a regular meeting of the City Council in the Municipal Building held January 7, 2014, and the vote was as follows:

Yeas: Richardson, Guastella, Sweeney and LaForest

Nays: None Absent: Pixley

Steve M. Duchane

City Clerk