

**RESOLUTION #2007-19**  
**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CHARTER TOWNS BILL**

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**WHEREAS**, town government is an effective form of government across the State of Wisconsin which provides town electors powers over town tax levies, elected officials salaries, buying and selling real estate, total annual highway expenditures and other powers that electors and taxpayers in cities and villages do not have authority over;

**WHEREAS**, towns who border cities and villages are being threatened with extraterritorial powers over town development and annexation of town land by cities and villages;

**WHEREAS**, towns who have a minimum of 2,500 in population and provide the same types of services that cities and villages provide should have the power to control their own development and land use controls;

**WHEREAS**, economic development for the region benefits all taxpayers and units of government in the regional area;

**WHEREAS**, the "charter township" concept has been in existence in the State of Michigan since the 1970's and has not stopped or limited economic development in Michigan;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Town Board of the Town of Vernon, Waukesha County, that the Town Board hereby requests the State Legislature pass the "Charter Towns Bill" (AB 79; or SB 17: or SB 36) which would provide those towns in Wisconsin that meet the conditions of the bill the following benefits: protection from extraterritorial powers of neighboring cities and villages; the power to promote economic development through the use of Tax Incremental Districts; and the ability to withdraw from county zoning and regulate land use through town zoning.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS** 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007.

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Brian Paff, Chairman

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Joe Reilly, Supervisor #1

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Mark Tyliniski, Supervisor #2

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Gary Finch, Supervisor #3

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Bill Ludwig, Supervisor #4

ATTEST:

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Gina C. Gresch, MMC / WCMC  
Town of Vernon Clerk  
Waukesha County