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**Resolution #2024 - \_\_\_\_\_**

**LEELANAU COUNTY  
2025 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT RESOLUTION**

A resolution to appropriate monies and adopting the 2025 Leelanau County Budget, including the General Fund budget and the several Special Revenue Fund budgets.

It being the finding and opinion of the Leelanau County Board of Commissioners:

**WHEREAS**, the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, Public Act 621 of 1978, requires that each local unit of government adopt a balanced budget for all required funds; and

**WHEREAS**, county offices, the courts, county departments, and others have submitted requests for a county appropriation in the 2025 budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners Executive Board has had under consideration the taxes for the local units of government and the budgetary needs of various county departments and other budgetary units; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners has taken into consideration the fact that there are certain required functions of county government or operations which must be budgeted at serviceable levels in order to provide statutory and constitutionally required services and programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners annually adopts a balanced budget and authorizes appropriations subject to the conditions set forth in its annual General Appropriations Act Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the budget contains anticipated revenues and expenditures from certain grant programs, which will also require approval of agreements with granting agencies at various times during the fiscal year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners Executive Board, after considerable deliberation, has recommended adoption of the budgets and reports attached to and made part of this Appropriations Act.

In recognition of the above listed findings and opinions:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the attached 2025 Leelanau County General Fund Operating Budget, the 2025 Special Revenue Fund Budgets, and the 2025 Budget Rules, as set forth in the Board of Commissioners Executive Board Recommended Budget, is hereby adopted on a basis consistent with Leelanau County's budget process and subject to all county policies regarding the expenditure of funds and the conditions set forth in this resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Leelanau County Board of Commissioners appropriates monies supported by various 2025 revenues and to authorize expenditures within the lump sum Activity Level totals for each of the various General and Special funds.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the adopted budget is based on current estimates of revenues and expenditures, and that the Board of Commissioners may find it necessary to adjust budgeted revenues and expenditures from time to time during the year, provided the budget remains in a balanced state.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Leelanau County Board of Commissioners, for purposes of the Truth in Budgeting Act, establishes a levy of 3.3083 mills, of which 3.3083 mills are allocated operational purposes, .5000 mills are voted road funds, .3200 are voted senior services, and .2000 are voted Early Childhood.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all county elected officials and county department heads shall abide by the 2025 Budget Rules, as adopted and amended by this Board and that the budgeted funds are appropriated contingent upon compliance with all approved county policies and procedures; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the 2025 Authorized Staffing Levels contained in the budget shall limit the number of permanent employees who can be employed in all departments, offices, and the courts, and no funds are appropriated for any permanent position or employee not on the approved 2025 Authorized Staffing Levels.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board of Commissioners authorizes the use of budgeted funds as herein governed by the 2025 Authorized Vehicle Levels for the purchase of vehicles and necessary equipment.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that an appropriation is not a mandate to spend, but shall limit the amount which may be spent for such purposes as are defined by the Board of Commissioners and which shall be limited to the 2025 calendar year.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any county department, agency, board, commission or unit of government that accepts a County appropriation shall do so, subject to the understanding that they will be subject to an inspection and/or audit by the Leelanau County Board of Commissioners or its designee.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Administrator is hereby re-appointed as Chief Administrative Officer, pursuant to the Uniform Budget and Accounting Act, with power to administer those duties in connection with the County budget, to prepare, present, and monitor the annual operating budget jointly with the Finance Department and County Treasurer, and other duties as may be from time to time delegated to the Office of Administrator by this Board; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that, in the event the United States Government or State of Michigan fails to provide certain revenue transfer payments as required by law and/or contractual agreements between the United States Government or State of Michigan and Leelanau County, the specific programs funded by such state revenue transfer payments shall bear the full impact of such revenue reduction. In the event the United States Government or State of Michigan defaults or otherwise fails to provide general, unrestricted revenue transfer payments, the Board, upon the recommendation of the Executive Board of the Leelanau County Board of Commissioners, shall allocate said revenue reduction in its legislative judgment. The Leelanau County Board of Commissioners cannot, and will not, absorb the program costs created by revenue transfer payment defaults by the United States Government or State of Michigan.