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RESOLUTION NO. R-11-08

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A "COMPLETE STREETS" POLICY FOR THE CITY OF FREMONT

WHEREAS, "Complete Streets" are defined as a design framework that enables safe and convenient access for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, and drivers of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, "Complete Streets" are achieved when transportation agencies routinely plan, design, construct, reconstruct, operate, and maintain the transportation network to improve travel conditions for bicyclists, pedestrians, transit, and freight in a manner consistent with, and supportive of, the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, streets that support and invite multiple uses, including safe, active, and ample space for pedestrians, bicycles, and transit are more conducive to the public life and efficient movement of people than streets designed primarily to move automobiles; and

WHEREAS, "Complete Streets" enhance safe walking and bicycling options for school-age children, in recognition of the national Safe Routes to School program; and

WHEREAS, increasing active transportation (e.g., walking, bicycling and use of public transportation) offers the potential for improved public health, economic development, a cleaner environment, reduced transportation costs, enhanced community connections, social equity, and more livable communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fremont recognizes the importance of street infrastructure, such as sidewalks, crosswalks, shared use paths, bicycle lanes, signage, and accessible curb ramps that enable safe, convenient, and comfortable travel for all users; and

WHEREAS, the Fremont Community Joint Planning Commission adopted a Joint Comprehensive and Growth Management Plan, the goals of which are the ten (10) tenets of *Smart Growth*, with goal two (2) being "Create Walkable Communities" and goal eight (8) being "Provide a Variety of Transportation Options".

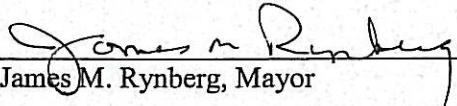
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Fremont, Newaygo County, Michigan the following:

FIRST: That it hereby declares its support of the concept of "Complete Streets".

SECOND: That to the extent feasible, the City of Fremont will incorporate "Complete Streets" design considerations and practices as a routine part of infrastructure planning and implementation; and

THIRD: That the City of Fremont outlines in its Community's Joint Comprehensive and Growth Management Plan, the Capital Improvement Plan, the Parks and Recreation Non-motorized Path Plan, and other Plans within the City support of the "Complete Streets" initiative by promoting the design framework that enables safe and convenient access for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers of all ages and abilities.

Councilmember Jane Drake moved the adoption of the foregoing Resolution, which was supported by Councilmember James Breinling and was thereupon adopted this 16th day of May, 2011.


James M. Rynberg, Mayor


Todd M. Blake, City Clerk