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## RESOLUTION 24-CB-14 OPPOSITION TO NORTH STAR ACT (SF2724, HF2860)

**WHEREAS**, a “Sanctuary State” is a jurisdiction that restricts state and local officials from cooperating with federal immigration enforcement efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the duty of Congress to establish all laws and rules regarding naturalization, and

**WHEREAS**, the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the United States Constitution was ratified on July 9, 1869, and granted citizenship to “all persons born or naturalized in the United States” are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside, and

**WHEREAS**, law enforcement in McLeod County is dedicated to protecting the communities they serve and promoting public safety requires the assistance and cooperation of the community, so law enforcement has the ability to gather the information necessary to investigate and deter crime, and

**WHEREAS**, the McLeod County Board of Commissioners supports all law enforcement officers, federal, state, county and municipal, upholding the Constitution of the United States and the State of Minnesota, and

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature is reviewing approval of Senate File (SF) 2724 and House File (HF) 2860 effectively making Minnesota a “Sanctuary State” by prohibiting law enforcement, county employees, and schools from collecting information on immigration or citizenship status, prohibiting the sharing of any other information about individuals for the purposes of immigration enforcement, and prohibiting the use of county resources for immigration enforcement, and

**WHEREAS**, SF2724 and HF2860 interferes with the County and its employees’ ability to perform current functions, imposes implementation hurdles and burdens upon the County, creates ambiguity and possible conflicts with federal law, may subject the County and its employees to statutory violations, employment consequences, and possible civil and criminal liability; and

**WHEREAS**, McLeod County supports legal immigration and the positive impact it provides for our communities and the local and state economy; and

**WHEREAS**, McLeod County citizens should not be negatively impacted from results caused by illegal immigration and the North STAR Act on the budgeting of taxpayer dollars and public resources.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the McLeod County Board of Commissioners hereby urges our legislative delegation and the Governor to reject the North STAR Act proposals in Senate File 2724 and House File 2860, and give ample acknowledgment to public and local government input and the true impact of a “Sanctuary State” designation.

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maintaining integrity through common sense decision making

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**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, the McLeod County Board of Commissioners hereby urges our legislative delegation and the Governor to require support and adherence to applicable federal immigration law.

	Nagel	Krueger	Luthens	Wright	Schmalz
Yes					
No					
Abstain					
Absent					

**STATE OF MINNESOTA  
OFFICE OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATION  
COUNTY OF MCLEOD**

I, Sheila Murphy, Administrator of the County of McLeod do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution presented to and adopted by the County of McLeod at a duly authorized meeting thereof held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024.

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Sheila Murphy, County Administrator