RESOLUTION NO. 2021-01

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CASS COUNTY, INDIANA EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR LOCAL CONTROL OF LAND USE DECISIONS

WHEREAS, the State of Indiana consists of diverse communities, each with its own needs and opportunities; and

WHEREAS, across the State of Indiana, Counties have created and implemented plans for development that provide the type of new investment and additional employment that is desired by the citizens of the County, and in many instances the desired development has included wind or solar projects; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners believes that decisions regarding wind and solar development are best made by the citizens living in the community, rather than by the wind and solar industry or State officials who live outside the community; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 1381 is currently pending in the Indiana General Assembly, and if enacted, such legislation would disenfranchise the citizens of the ability to determine the conditions under which wind energy and solar energy projects would be allowed in their County; and

WHEREAS, under House Bill 1381, communities would be compelled to allow wind and solar projects under conditions dictated by others living outside the community; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to express its opposition to House Bill 1381 and express its support for the rights of individuals and families living in a community to direct their own future through land use decisions.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CASS COUNTY, INDIANA, that the Board expresses its opposition to House Bill 1381 and any other legislation that disenfranchises local citizens of the right to make local planning decisions and direct future of their own communities.

Passed and Adopted this/5f_ day of	March, 2021
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