

Resolution No. 10-15-07(2007)B

Town of Farmington Resolution in Opposition to the passage of H.R. 811, Voter Confidence and Increased Accessibility Act of 2007

WHEREAS, the Town of Farmington is in compliance with all State of Wisconsin approved voting system requirements; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin and Town of Farmington spent considerable dollars to improve all aspects of elections and that new voting system equipment will likely not be developed in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, the current voting system equipment was purchased using federal dollars with the Town of Farmington spending considerable dollars on long term maintenance contracts, and H.R. 811 as drafted underestimates the amount of federal dollars needed to upgrade and maintain the proposed new equipment; and

WHEREAS, the current voting system in place at the Town of Farmington has not outlived its useful life and a new voting system to replace the current system has not been developed nor tested; and

WHEREAS, the public perception in implementing new voting system equipment is considered a waste due to the fact the equipment proposed to be replaced has been used successfully; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin already has a comprehensive audit program and the federal government should accommodate the unique needs of individual states; and

WHEREAS, the H.R. 811 Voter Confidence and Increased Accessibility Act of 2007 as drafted puts a great deal of burden on local governments to adequately meet the new requirements as mandated by the federal government; and

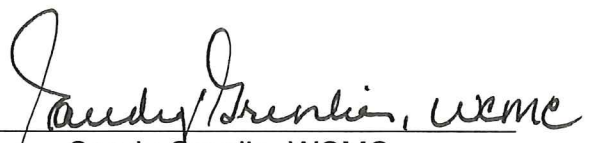
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Farmington urges Congressional Leaders to oppose the passage of provisions that would provide undo hardships to local governments of H.R. 811 Voter Confidence and Increased Accessibility Act of 2007; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Congressman Thomas E. Petri and United States Senators Herb Kohl and Russ Feingold for their consideration in voting on the proposed bill.

Dated this 15th day of October, 2007.



Donald Fabricius
Town Chairman



Sandy Grenlie, WCMC
Town Clerk/Treasurer