

ENROLLED RESOLUTION 168-6

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE IMPOSITION OF A REGIONAL TAX ON WAUKESHA COUNTY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW ENTERTAINMENT ARENA AND URGING THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO OPPOSE SUCH A TAX

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Commerce created a new 48-member task force called the Cultural and Entertainment Capital Needs Task Force, whose members include elected officials, community leaders, heads of non-profit organizations, business leaders and representatives of various cultural and sports institutions in the area, and

WHEREAS, the task force will identify funding options to preserve and enhance key facilities, focusing on whether the 25-year-old BMO Harris Bradley Center needs to be replaced. The task force will also examine the fiscal challenges facing other institutions in the region, such as the Milwaukee County Zoo, the Milwaukee Public Museum, and the Milwaukee Art Museum, and

WHEREAS, one funding option that has been mentioned in the media is to impose a regional tax, perhaps accomplished by extending the stadium tax that built Miller Park, and

WHEREAS, County Executive Vrakas has publically stated he opposes the creation of a new regional tax to pay for the possible replacement or retrofitting of the BMO Harris Bradley Center in Milwaukee, and

WHEREAS, County Executive Vrakas was invited to select a Waukesha County representative to serve on the Cultural and Entertainment Capital Needs Task Force and has chosen Keith Swartz, former Waukesha County budget director, and

WHEREAS, County Executive Vrakas' designee will act as the voice of Waukesha County taxpayers on the Task Force, and will look for more strategic ways to fund entertainment institutions and oppose any creation of a new regional tax, and


WHEREAS, ultimately it would take an act of legislation by the state legislature to create a new taxing district.

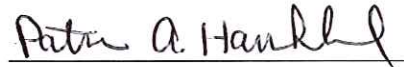
THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF WAUKESHA RESOLVES that the Waukesha County Board of Supervisors strongly opposes a regional tax and urges our state representatives to oppose the imposition of any regional tax on Waukesha County businesses or residents that would finance the construction of an NBA basketball and entertainment arena and/or the development and renovation of the Wisconsin Center convention facility or any other cultural or entertainment venue in Milwaukee.

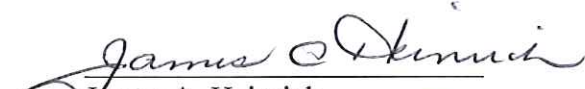
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Waukesha County Board of Supervisors that the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this fully-executed and authorized resolution to Governor Scott Walker, to the Chairman of the Wisconsin Center Board, to the Chairman of the BMO Harris Bradley Center Board, to the Chairman of the Regional Cultural and Entertainment Capital Needs Task Force, and to all the Waukesha County Legislators.

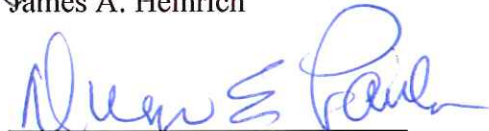
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Presented by:
Executive Committee

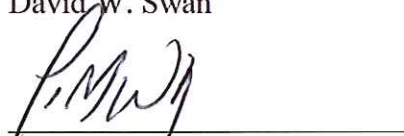

Paul L. Decker, Chair


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The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, was presented to the County Executive on:

Date: 12/13/2013, 
Kathleen Novack, County Clerk

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

Approved: X
Vetoed: _____

Date: 12-19-13, 
Daniel P. Vrakas, County Executive

WAUKESHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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DATE-12/17/13

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| 1 | C. SLATTERY..... | 2 | D. Zimmermann..... | AYE | |
| 3 | R. MORRIS..... | AYE | 4 | J. BATZKO..... | AYE |
| 5 | J. BRANDTJEN..... | AYE | 6 | J. JESKEWITZ..... | |
| 7 | J. GRANT..... | AYE | 8 | P. HAUKOHL..... | AYE |
| 9 | J. HEINRICH..... | AYE | 10 | D. SWAN..... | AYE |
| 11 | F. RUF..... | AYE | 12 | P. WOLFF..... | AYE |
| 13 | P. DECKER..... | AYE | 14 | P. MEYER..... | AYE |
| 15 | W. KOLB..... | AYE | 16 | M. CROWLEY..... | AYE |
| 17 | D. PAULSON..... | AYE | 18 | L. NELSON..... | AYE |
| 19 | C. CUMMINGS..... | AYE | 20 | T. SCHELLINGER.... | AYE |
| 21 | W. ZABOROWSKI..... | AYE | 22 | P. JASKE..... | AYE |
| 23 | K. HAMMITT..... | AYE | 24 | D. DRAEGER..... | AYE |
| 25 | G. YERKE..... | | | | |

TOTAL AYES-22

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CARRIED _____

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UNANIMOUS X

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