CUSTER TOWNSHIP
ANTRIM COUNTY, MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION #8 OF 2026

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PUBLIC POLICY AGAINST DATA CENTERS IN CUSTER TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, Custer Township is aware of large, “hyperscale” data center facilities being proposed and constructed around the State of Michigan.

WHEREAS, Custer Township recognizes that it cannot prevent the installation of these projects in the Township due to the Township and County’s lack of zoning regulation, but nevertheless desires to establish a public policy with respect to such projects.

WHEREAS, the Township Board has determined that the installation of a data center would negatively impact the rural character and aesthetic qualities that define our community.

WHEREAS, the Township Board has concerns about the potential environmental impacts of data centers, including but not limited to their impact on the electrical grid, water usage, groundwater impacts, noise, and wildlife habitat disruption.

WHEREAS, the Township Board recognizes the importance of preserving agricultural land and open spaces that contribute to the community's identity and economic base.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Custer Township Board hereby declares it to be the public policy of Custer Township that data centers are not compatible with the township's vision for community development and are not desired within township boundaries.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Custer Township Board will provide this resolution to any developer or State agency inquiring as to the construction and operation of a data center within the township.

This resolution shall be effective immediately.

Motion by D. Allen Seconded by A. Fleet to Pass RESOLUTION #8 of 2026 ESTABLISHING PUBLIC POLICY AGAINIST DATA CENTERS IN CUSTER TOWNSHIP. MC

Upon roll call vote, the following voted:
Aye: R. Flake, R. Elder, D. Allen, A. Fleet, S. Simon: none Absent: none

The Township Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

I, Stacy Simon, the duly elected and acting Clerk of Custer Township, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the township board of said township at the regular meeting of said board held on August 11, 2026, at which meeting a quorum was present by a roll call vote of said members as hereinbefore set forth; that said resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

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Stacy Simon, Custer Township Clerk