

Resolution to Call on Governor Granholm to Place Conditions on Where Michigan Road Paving Materials are Sourced

WHEREAS, John Carlo, Inc. of Clinton Township, Michigan, is assigned road paving contracts by the Government of the State of Michigan, and

WHEREAS, John Carlo, Inc. is seeking to supply crushed rock towards meeting the needs of such contracts by quarrying rock from the shores of Michipicoten Bay, on Lake Superior, and

WHEREAS Michipicoten Bay is the gateway to the longest near-wilderness shoreline remaining in the entire Great Lakes, and

WHEREAS Michipicoten Bay is renown for its natural scenic beauty, and

WHEREAS such a quarry would introduce heavy industrial development into Michipicoten Bay, and

WHEREAS such development could have serious impacts on the water of Michipicoten Bay including:

- sulphide contamination and harm to aquatic habitat;
- industrial run-off;
- shipping pollution;
- the introduction of aquatic invasive species; and

WHEREAS such a quarry development could have many other serious impacts on the near-wilderness values of Michipicoten Bay, and

WHEREAS permitting such a quarry could set a precedent for developing other similar quarries on the naturally and culturally significant shoreline of Lake Superior, and

WHEREAS the current review of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement is highlighting the need to protect the water quality throughout the Great Lakes.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Great Lakes United recommend to Governor Granholm that Michigan enact policies to discourage the paving of Michigan highways with aggregate sourced from environmentally sensitive and ecologically significant areas, such as the shores of Lake Superior.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE GREAT LAKES UNITED BOARD MEETING ON JULY 15, 2006 DULUTH, MINNESOTA.



Molly M. Flanagan, Secretary