

Resolution Calling for a Moratorium on New Data Center Development Until Reasonable Regulations and Protections Are Established

WHEREAS, Michigan communities are facing a rapid increase in proposed data center developments that raise serious concerns related to excessive energy use, water consumption, land use, and strain on local infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, data centers are among the most electricity-intensive facilities in the economy, increasing demand on the electrical grid and raising the utility rates for residential customers, seniors, tribal communities, small businesses, and working families; and

WHEREAS, Michigan currently lacks sufficient, enforceable regulations to ensure that new data center developments protect ratepayers, safeguard water resources, and secure meaningful community consent; and

WHEREAS, residents and local governments have raised concerns about limited transparency, insufficient local control, and inadequate public input in decisions regarding large-scale data center siting and approval; and

WHEREAS, responsible economic development requires clear standards, public accountability, and protections that are in place **before** new development is approved;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 6th Congressional District Republican Committee (6th CDRC), by and through the Executive Committee, calls for a **moratorium on the approval of new data center development** in the State of Michigan **until reasonable, enforceable regulations and protections are established**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 6th CDRC affirms that Michigan taxpayers and ratepayers should not be required to subsidize corporate development that increases utility costs, strains public resources, and fails to deliver proportional public benefit.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 6th CDRC calls upon the District 6 Republican Committee to adopt this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be forwarded to the Michigan Republican Party with the recommendation for its acceptance and placement in the appropriate document or with the appropriate committee for action.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this position of the 6th CDRC will remain in effect until such time it is replaced or repealed.

Adopted at the meeting of the 6th CDRC held on May 4, 2026.

Edward McCall,
Chair

Michelle McQueer,
Vice Chair

Gerald Hermann,
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