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To: <u>Clerk</u>

Subject: BOC public comment

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Please make this letter a part of public comment for both meetings: Committee of the Whole, Monday, September 20, 2021 Leelanau Board of Commissioners, Tuesday, September 21, 2021

Commissioners:

It is discouraging and an outrage to see the Leelanau County Board of Commissioners act as you do.

We vote and share our preference for how our tax dollars are spent. It's reprehensible of you to take that away from us.

Early childhood programs work! We are extremely fortunate to have the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department staff as an organizing partner. The early childhood services save us money in the future. Those who have these opportunities are less likely to be substance abusers, less likely to be jailed. MORE likely to be successful adults in society and being good citizens. They have less teen pregnancy, higher graduation rates from high school and better problem solving skills. Allow a better future for your grandchildren. Let these programs grow. It's just getting started.

Vote the early childhood millage rate to stay as is and it will prove it's effectiveness.

Thank you,

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