From: <u>Darlene Doorlag</u>

To: <u>Clerk</u>

Subject: Public Comment for the BOC meeting on Oct 5,2021.

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Please Share this letter with all members of the Board of Commission and include it as part of the public record. My name is Darlene Doorlag and I live in Centerville Township, District 5.

Commissioners Bunek, Lautner, Rushton, and Robbins I am writing specifically to you. I am very opposed to the creation of the two new departments you are in favor of creating. I have not heard your reasoning or rationale for creating new Human Resources and Financial Departments. Besides the salaries and benefits for these two new positions, the cost to taxpayers will escalate considerably when adding in office space, additional clerical staff and office equipment.

I have not heard or seen any data from you to support the need to create these two new departments. What problems are you trying to fix when I believe none exist? You have always been such ardent care takers of the taxpayer's pockets. So why this now when you argued so passionately against the minuscule taxes levied to taxpayers for the Early Childhood Millage?

Michelle Crocker our county clerk has managed her department with unbiased and professional expertise and was recently recognized by the MI County Clerk Association for her 25 years of outstanding service to Leelanau County. I saw this personally when she acted as chairman of the Reapportionment Committee. I attended two of these meetings and witnessed first hand her amazing knowledge of the entire process while she over saw the total procedure with such integrity, fairness and understanding.

I whole heartedly endorse keeping Michelle Crocker in all her current roles and see no need or reason to create two new departments to take away two thirds of her role as County Clerk.

Please reconsider the enormous tax burden you will be levying on all your constituents. Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone