

East Bay Charter Township

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Public Hearing

Public Act 57 of 1988 Articles of Incorporation

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Second by: \_\_\_\_\_

To

Approve

Table

Deny

Adopting the Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of creating, establishing and incorporating an authority under the provisions of Act 57, Public Acts of Michigan, 1988, as amended ("Act 57")

AYE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAY: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSTAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_

Motion

Passed

Failed



# GRAND TRAVERSE METRO FIRE DEPARTMENT

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## GRAND TRAVERSE METRO FIRE DEPARTMENT

### PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The following Articles of Incorporation are published in accordance with Public Act 57 of 1988 and will be considered for adoption by Acme Township, East Bay Township, and Garfield Township. The public hearings will be held at the following locations: Township of Acme – September 2, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at Acme Township Hall, 6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg, MI (231) 938-1350 - Wayne Kladder, Supervisor; Dorothy Dunville, Clerk. East Bay Charter Township – September 8, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at East Bay Township Hall, 1965 N. Three Mile Road, Traverse City, MI – (231) 947-8647 – Glen Lile, Supervisor; Sue Courtade, Clerk. Charter Township of Garfield – The Articles will be introduced on August 28, 2008, and set for public hearing on September 11, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. at Garfield Township Hall, 3848 Veterans Dr., Traverse City, MI (231) 941-1620. Lee Wilson, Supervisor; Kay Schumacher, Clerk.

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF THE  
GRAND TRAVERSE METRO EMERGENCY SERVICES AUTHORITY**

THESE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION are adopted by the Township of Acme (“Acme Township”), the East Bay Charter Township (“East Bay Township”) and the Charter Township of Garfield (“Garfield Township”), each a municipal corporation located in the County of Grand Traverse, State of Michigan, for the purpose of creating, establishing and incorporating an authority under and pursuant to the provisions of Act 57, Public Acts of Michigan, 1988, as amended (“Act 57”).

**ARTICLE I**

**NAME AND OFFICE**

The name of this Authority shall be and is the “Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority,” hereinafter sometimes referred to as the “Authority.” The principal office of the Authority shall be located at 897 Parsons Road, Traverse City, Michigan, or at such other locations as may be designated by the Board (as defined in Article VIII herein).

**ARTICLE II**

**DEFINITIONS**

The terms “authority,” “emergency services,” “incorporating municipality,” “municipal emergency services,” and “municipality,” as used in these Articles of Incorporation shall be as now or hereafter defined in Section 1 of Act 57.

Other terms shall have such meaning as may be specified in the various provisions of these Articles of Incorporation.

**ARTICLE III**

**INCORPORATING MUNICIPALITIES**

The incorporating and creating municipalities of this Authority are the Township of Acme, the East Bay Charter Township, and the Charter Township of Garfield, in the County of Grand Traverse, Michigan, which are hereby designated as the “Incorporating Townships.”

**ARTICLE IV**

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Authority shall be and is to provide fire protection, prevention and inspection, and other emergency health and safety services in accordance with the authorization

contained in Act 57, Public Acts of Michigan, 1988, as amended ("Act 57") and as limited by these Articles of Incorporation. The Authority may provide such services within or without its jurisdiction described in Article V hereof and further as may be authorized pursuant to contract with the Authority by any municipality in accordance with Act 57 and as otherwise may be limited by these Articles of Incorporation.

The Incorporating Townships shall transfer their authority to provide fire protection services within their respective jurisdictions to the Authority as of the Effective Date of these Articles. Further, the Incorporating Townships may transfer to the Authority their authority to provide additional emergency services including emergency medical services, police protection, and any other emergency health or safety services by resolution as provided in these Articles at any time.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **POWERS**

This Authority shall be a body corporate with power to sue or to be sued in any court in the State of Michigan. Its jurisdiction shall include all of the total territory embraced within the corporate boundaries of its incorporating municipalities as now constituted or as hereafter expanded through annexation, consolidation, or change of municipal identity. The Authority shall possess powers now or hereafter granted by Act 57 or by any other applicable statute of the State of Michigan, subject to and as limited by these Articles, and those incident thereto. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between these Articles and the provisions of Act 57, the terms and limitations set forth in the Articles shall control. The Authority may adopt a corporate seal, and may alter the seal, and use it by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be affixed, impressed, or reproduced in any other manner.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **TERM**

This Authority shall continue in existence perpetually or until dissolved pursuant to Article XIX hereof.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **FISCAL YEAR**

The fiscal year of the Authority shall commence on the first day of January of each year and shall end on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December of each year.

## ARTICLE VIII

### **GOVERNING BOARD**

The Authority shall be directed and governed by a six member Board of Directors, known as the "Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority Board," and hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Board" which shall be made up of members appointed by the governing body of each Incorporating Township as follows: (i) Two members representing Acme Township; (ii) Two members representing East Bay Township; and (iii) Two members representing Garfield Township. Appointed board members shall be selected from the respective Township Boards of each Incorporating Township. Each member shall serve for as long as they are qualified and until replaced by their governing body. The governing body of each Incorporating Township may appoint an alternate member who may attend meetings and vote and otherwise act at such meetings in the absence of the member appointed by such governing body. Such alternate members shall also be elected members of the governing body of their respective township and further shall meet all the requirements of this Article VIII.

A member of the Board shall not be a member of an emergency services entity of any incorporating or nonincorporating Township at the time the duties of said entity are transferred to or assumed by the Authority. However, this restriction shall not exclude members of the governing body of the entity known as the "Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department" prior to the Effective Date of these Articles from serving as a member of the Board. A member of the Board shall not be a member or employee of any emergency service operated by the Authority.

Within thirty (30) days after the effective date of the incorporation of the Authority, the members of the first Board shall qualify by convening and shall meet for the purpose of organization. At such organizational meeting, the Board shall select a Chairperson, a Vice Chairperson and a Secretary, each of whom shall be a member of the Board, and a Treasurer, who may or may not be a member of the Board. At such organizational meeting, the Board may also select an Assistant Secretary and an Assistant Treasurer, each of whom shall not be a member of the Board. Such officers shall serve until the organizational meeting of the following fiscal year, which shall be held annually in January of each year as designated by the Board, or until their respective successors shall be selected and qualify. No selection to the Board and no selection of an officer of the Board shall be deemed to be invalid because it was not made within or at the time specified in these Articles. Any Board member may be removed at any time for cause or without cause by action of the governing body of the municipality that such Board member represents.

## ARTICLE IX

### **COMPENSATION**

Members of the Board not otherwise employed on a full-time basis (at least 32 hours per week) by their respective municipality in an elected or appointed capacity may be compensated at the rate provided in the budget for the Authority for each fiscal year. Members otherwise employed by their respective municipality in an elected or appointed capacity on a full-time basis shall not be entitled to any compensation. Each member of the Board shall be entitled to reimbursement for all

expenditures made by him or her in carrying out official duties as may be approved by the Board and to the extent authorized by the budget for the Authority for each fiscal year.

#### **ARTICLE X**

##### **VACANCY**

In the event of a vacancy on the Board, the governing body of the municipality selecting such representative shall fill the vacancy for the unexpired term as expeditiously as possible and in no event more than ninety (90) days from the date such vacancy occurs. In the event of a vacancy in any office of the Board, such vacancy shall be filled by the Board for the unexpired term. In the case of the temporary absence or disability of any officer, the Board may appoint an otherwise qualified individual temporarily to act in his or her stead except that in the event of the temporary absence or disability of the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson shall so act.

#### **ARTICLE XI**

##### **MEETINGS**

Meetings of the Board shall be held as required and at least monthly at such time and place as shall be prescribed by resolution of the Board. Each member of the Board shall have one vote. Special meetings of the Board may be called by the Chairperson or any two members thereof, by serving written notice of the time, place and purpose thereof, upon each member of the Board, personally, or by leaving it at his or her place of residence at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time of such meeting, or by depositing the same in the United State Post Office or mail box within the limits of the Authority, at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the time of such meeting, enclosed in a sealed envelope properly addressed to such member at his or her home or office address with postage fully prepaid, or by email. Any meeting of the Board shall be held, and any notice therefore shall be given, in accordance with the provisions of Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended. Any member may waive notice of any special meeting either before or after the holding thereof. A majority of the members of the Board, including at least one Board member from each member Township, shall constitute a quorum. The Board shall act by motion, resolution, or ordinance. A vote of the majority of the members of the Board who are present at any meeting at which a quorum is present and who are authorized to vote on such matters shall be sufficient for passage.

The Board shall have the right to adopt rules governing its procedure which are not in conflict with the terms of any statute of the State of Michigan or of these Articles of Incorporation. The Board shall keep a minute book of its proceedings, which shall be signed by the Chairperson and open to the public. All votes shall be "Yes" or "No," provided that where the vote is unanimous, it shall only be necessary for the minutes to reflect the unanimous nature of the vote thus taken.

## ARTICLE XII

### **BOARD AND OFFICER DUTIES**

The Chairperson of the Board shall be the presiding officer thereof. Except as herein otherwise provided, the Chairperson shall not have any executive or administrative functions other than as a member of the Board. In the absence or disability of the Chairperson, the Vice Chairperson shall perform the duties of the Chairperson. The Secretary shall be the recording officer of the Board. The Treasurer shall be custodian of the funds of the Authority and shall give to it a bond conditioned upon the faithful performance of the duties of his or her office.

All moneys shall be accounted for and deposited in a financial institution or financial institutions consistent with the limitation and other requirements of the Municipal Finance Act, as amended, being MCL 207.701, to be designated by the Board, and all checks or other forms of withdrawal therefrom shall be signed by two persons, which persons shall be the Secretary, the Treasurer or the chief administrative employee of the Authority, or their respective designees. All authorized signatories shall give a bond conditioned upon the faithful performance of the prescribed duties. The cost of such bonds shall be paid by the Authority. The officers of the Board shall have such other powers and duties as may be conferred upon them by the Board and Act 57, subject to such limitations of as may be otherwise be imposed by these Articles of Incorporation and the Authority's Bylaws.

The Board shall prepare for consideration of the Incorporating Townships a proposed annual operating and capital budget reflecting the projected revenues and projected expenditures of the Authority for the next fiscal year beginning January 1. In addition, the budget shall include a proposed funding mechanism for any capital acquisition which cannot be fully funded within the operating budget for the coming year. The vote of at least one Board member from each of the Incorporating Townships in favor of the proposed budget in addition to a numerical majority shall be required for adoption of the proposed budget by the Board. The Board shall adopt the proposed budget by a majority vote of the members of the Board in such a manner as to assure submission of the proposed budget to the incorporating municipalities no later than June 30 of each year. The respective Incorporating Townships shall have not less than forty five (45) days for consideration and comment with respect to the proposed budget. In the absence of either approval or objection to the proposed budget by all of the Incorporating Townships within sixty (60) days after submission to the Incorporating Townships, the proposed budget shall be deemed to have been approved for a period of one year. In addition, in the event that the operating budget is approved by a majority of the Incorporating Townships but approval is not unanimous, the proposed operating budget shall be deemed to be approved for a period of one year. If any Incorporating Township objects to the operating budget for two consecutive years, without waiving its objection to withdraw from the Authority, the second annual objection shall be deemed to be an act of withdrawal as provided in Article XIX of these Articles.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary which could be implied, in the event that any capital item in the budget requires allocation of funds or financing for a period exceeding one year, no Incorporating Township shall be obligated for any portion of financing required which cannot be paid within the term of the approved annual budget until that Incorporating Township approves

such capital expenditures by way of a resolution committing the financial resources of the Incorporating Township to that expenditure regardless of its relationship with the Authority.

The accounting and budgeting practices of the Authority shall conform with standard accounting practices, the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, Act 2, Public Acts of Michigan, 1968, as amended, and all other applicable provisions of law.

### **ARTICLE XIII**

#### **PROPERTY**

The Authority shall possess all the powers enumerated within the Act subject to and as limited by these Articles of Incorporation. Provided that doing so is consistent with its approved annual operating and capital budget limitation, it may acquire property by purchase, lease, gift, devise or condemnation, either within or without its corporate limits, and may hold, manage, control, sell, exchange or lease such property. For the purpose of condemnation, it may proceed under the provisions of Act 149, Public Acts of Michigan, 1911, as now or hereafter amended, Act 87, Public Acts of Michigan, 1980, as now or hereafter amended, or any other appropriate statute.

### **ARTICLE XIV**

#### **CONTRACTS TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY SERVICES**

The Authority may enter into contracts with any Incorporating Township for the provision of emergency services, in addition to the fire protection services described within these Articles, including emergency medical services, police protection, and any other emergency health or safety services, in the Incorporating Township, as authorized and provided in Act 57. Alternatively, any Incorporating Township may transfer the obligation to provide these additional emergency services to the Authority by resolution and under the same terms as provided in these Articles. The Authority may also enter in contracts with a city, village, or township, or county that is not an Incorporating Township for the provision of emergency services, as authorized and provided in Act 57. No such contracts shall be for a period exceeding thirty (30) years, and any such contract must project sufficient revenue to fund expenses incurred by Metro in performing its obligations pursuant to such a contract.

### **ARTICLE XV**

#### **FINANCING THE AUTHORITY**

##### **A. Financial Contribution from Each Incorporating Township.**

Provided there are no material deviations from the annual budget presented to the Incorporating Townships for their review, the Authority's annual budget will be funded by contributions from each Incorporating Township in the following manner:



The total taxable value of ad valorem real property taxes of all Incorporating Townships shall be determined for the current year (“annual district taxable value”) and a millage rate shall be determined (“uniform millage rate”) by utilizing the annual district taxable value as if it were the taxable basis for funding the proposed annual budgets of the authority. Each Incorporating Township shall be allocated its representative share of contribution by applying the uniform millage rate as determined, on all ad valorem real property tax base of that Incorporating Township. The calculation is as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Proposed Budget}}{\text{(Annual District Taxable Value)}} = \text{“Uniform Millage Rate”}$$

It is anticipated that each Incorporating Township shall use this formula for a special assessment district to be utilized to achieve the funds for its annual contribution.

B. Prohibition on Property Tax Levy by Authority.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 12 of Act 57, the Authority shall have no independent authority to levy tax on property within the limits of the Authority.

C. Property Tax Levy by Incorporating Township or Township Granted Taxing Authority Under State Law.

Any Incorporating Township or Township otherwise granted taxing authority under the laws of the State of Michigan may levy a tax on all of the taxable property within the limits of the political subdivision, and appropriate, grant, or contribute the proceeds of the tax to the Authority for the purposes of Act 57.

D. Other Sources of Revenue.

The sources of revenue for financing the Authority specified herein are non-exclusive. The Incorporating Townships (and any non-incorporating townships subsequently included as a member of the Authority) may provide financial contributions to the Authority from other sources of revenue authorized by law.

## ARTICLE XVI

### **TRANSFER OF MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES**

An Incorporating Township may transfer any township emergency service to the Authority by written agreement between the transferring Township and the Authority.

## **ARTICLE XVII**

### **COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS**

The Authority may enter into other agreements with any Incorporating Townships and non-incorporating townships, pursuant to Act 57; The Urban Cooperation Act, Act 7, Public Acts of Michigan, 1967, as amended; Act 33, Public Acts of Michigan, 1951, as amended; or any other applicable Michigan law for purposes of, among other things, providing emergency services to such Incorporating Townships and non-incorporating townships and their residents and raising funds to pay for such services.

## **ARTICLE XVIII**

### **FINANCING IMPROVEMENTS**

To the extent authorized by annual budgets, the Authority may acquire, construct, purchase, improve, enlarge or extend buildings for the provision of emergency services, and the necessary sites thereof, together with appurtenant properties and facilities necessary or convenient for the effective use thereof, and furnish and equip the same.

## **ARTICLE XIX**

### **WITHDRAWAL OF INCORPORATING TOWNSHIP AND DISSOLUTION**

An Incorporating Township may withdraw from the Authority by resolution of the township's legislative body approving the withdrawal, a certified copy of which resolution shall be provided to the Board at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the next fiscal year for the Authority. Twelve months after the initial date of such next fiscal year shall serve as the effective date for the withdrawal. A township that withdraws from the Authority shall remain liable for a portion of the debts and liabilities of the Authority incurred while the township was a part of the Authority. The proportion of the Authority's debts for which a township remains liable as a result of its withdrawal from the Authority shall be determined by dividing the taxable value of the real property in the township by the taxable value of all real property in the Authority on the effective date of the withdrawal.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Authority shall not be dissolved if such dissolution could or would operate as an impairment in any respect of any of its contractual obligations; provided however, that the Authority may be dissolved where the outstanding indebtedness of the Authority exceeds the assets of the Authority, if the net indebtedness is assumed and paid by the Incorporating Township's most recent financing contribution to the Authority, calculated pursuant to the formula provided in Article XV herein.

Further, in the event that the non-withdrawing townships elect not to dissolve the Authority, the fair market value of all real and personal property, including, but not limited to vehicles and equipment, shall be established (i) based upon an agreement between the authority and the withdrawing township; or, in the event the parties are unable to reach such an agreement, then (ii)

based upon an objective, third party appraisal of the same, conducted by a duly licensed appraiser acceptable to all those Incorporating Townships. After the fair market value of the Authority's assets has been established, a percentage-of-value shall be assigned to the total value based upon the ratio that the withdrawing township's financial contribution to the full budget (based upon the fiscal year during which the notification of withdrawal occurs) bears to the full budget for that same period. The resulting share of the Authority's assets (calculated as provided herein) shall be distributed to the withdrawing township either in cash, or in kind if agreed to by the parties, by allocating real and personal property. If payment is to be made in cash, then such payment shall be made as soon as financially practicable, but in no even in more than five (5) equal annual payments, commencing with the January 1 following the fiscal year during which the township's notice of withdrawal occurs. If payment is to be made by allocation of real and personal property, then such distribution and conveyance shall occur on December 31 at the end of the next fiscal year after the fiscal year during which the withdrawing township's notice of withdrawal occurs.

## **ARTICLE XX**

### **EMPLOYEES**

Subject to the terms and conditions provided in Section 10 of Act 57 and consistent with the limitations of its approved operation budget(s), the Authority may employ such personnel and employees as it may consider desirable and may retain from time to time the services of attorneys, accountants, and other consultants as the Authority considers necessary to carry out the purpose of the Authority.

Employees of a municipal emergency service whose duties are transferred to the Authority shall be given comparable positions of employment with the emergency service established by the Authority, and shall maintain their seniority status and all benefit rights of the position held with the municipal emergency service before such transfer, subject to the exceptions and provisions of Section 10 of Act 57. The Authority shall have all the powers provided by Section 10 of Act 57, and be subject to all the provisions, restrictions, and limitations therein with respect to employment.

The Board shall appoint a Fire Chief of the Authority who shall be the chief administrative employee of the Authority. The Fire Chief shall administer the activities conducted and services provided by the Authority on a daily basis as may be more fully determined by the Board.

## **ARTICLE XXI**

### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Each Board member and the Fire Chief of the Authority shall not be interested directly or indirectly in any contract or other business transaction with the Authority during the time for which he or she is appointed, nor for the year thereafter unless the contract or transaction has been approved by 2/3rds of the members of the Board and so shown on the minutes of the Board together with a showing that the Board is aware of that person's interest. Further, the Board shall comply with MCL 15.321 (Contracts of Public Servants with Public Entities).

## **ARTICLE XXII**

### **AUDIT**

The Board shall cause an annual audit to be made of the books, records, and financial transactions of the Authority by a certified public accountant. Every four (4) years, the annual audit shall be commissioned only after selection of an accounting firm based upon an advertised request for proposals ("RFP"). In the event that the RFP results in the selection of the same accounting firm (by name or successorship) then the audit shall be conducted by different responsible personnel within such firm than over the previous four years. Seven (7) copies of the audit report prepared by the certified public accountant shall be furnished to each participating member. The books and records of the Authority shall be open for inspection by any participating member at all reasonable times.

## **ARTICLE XXIII**

### **FEDERAL OR STATE GRANTS IN AID**

The Authority shall have the power to apply for and accept grants, or contributions from the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality thereof, the State of Michigan or other public or private agencies; and to do any and all things necessary or desirable to secure such financial or other aid or cooperation in carrying out any of the purposes of Act 57.

## **ARTICLE XXIV**

### **INVESTMENT**

The Treasurer of the Authority when authorized by resolution of the Board may invest general funds of the Authority. Such investment by the Treasurer shall be made in compliance with the laws of the State of Michigan.

## **ARTICLE XXV**

### **EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION**

The property of the Authority shall be exempt from all taxation and assessment and no writ of execution shall be levied upon the property of the Authority.

## **ARTICLE XXVI**

### **PUBLICATION**

These Articles shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation within the territory of the Authority. One printed copy of such Articles of Incorporation, certified as a true copy thereof, with the date and place of publication, shall be filed with the Secretary of State within thirty (30) days after the execution thereof has been completed.

The secretary of the Authority is hereby designated as the person to cause these Articles to be published, certified, and filed as aforesaid. In the event he or she shall be unable to act or shall neglect to act, then the clerk of any other Incorporating Township shall act in his or her stead.

#### **ARTICLE XXVII**

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

The Authority shall become effective upon the filing of certified copies of these Articles with the Secretary of State, as provided in the preceding Article.

#### **ARTICLE XXIX**

#### **AMENDMENT**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any time so as to permit any county, city, village or township to become an Incorporating Municipality of the Authority, if such amendment to and the Articles of Incorporation are adopted by the legislative body of such county, city, village or township proposing to become a member, and if such amendment is adopted by the legislative body of each Incorporating Township from which the Authority is composed. Other amendments may be made to these Articles of Incorporation at any time if adopted by the legislative body of each Incorporating Township from which the Authority is composed. In such an event, and following successful approval of such an amendment, any reference to Incorporating Township in these Articles shall be referenced as Incorporating Municipality from that date forward. Any such amendment shall be endorsed, published and certified and printed copies thereof filed in the same manner as the original Articles of Incorporation, except that the filed and printed copies shall be certified by the recording officer of the Authority.

#### **ARTICLE XXX**

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

These Articles of Incorporation may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

The captions of these Articles of Incorporation are for convenience only and shall not be considered as part of these Articles of Incorporation or in any way limiting or amplifying the terms and provisions thereof.

These Articles have been adopted by the Township of Acme, East Bay Charter Township, and the Charter Township of Garfield as set forth in the following endorsements, and in witness whereof the Supervisor and the Township Clerk of Acme, the Supervisor and the Clerk of East Bay Charter Township, and the Supervisor and the Clerk of Garfield Charter Township have endorsed thereon the statement of such adoption.

**SIGNATURES ON NEXT PAGES**

**ACME TOWNSHIP**

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of the Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority were adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Township of Acme, Grand Traverse County, Michigan, at a meeting held on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Wayne Kladder  
Acme Twp. Supervisor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dorothy Dunville  
Acme Twp. Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**EAST BAY CHARTER TOWNSHIP**

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority were adopted by the Board of Trustees of the East Bay Charter Township, Grand Traverse County, Michigan, at a meeting held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Glen Lile  
East Bay Charter Twp. Supervisor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Susanne Courtade  
East Bay Charter Twp. Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GARFIELD**

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation Grand Traverse Metro Emergency Services Authority were adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Garfield, Grand Traverse County, Michigan, at a meeting held on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lee Wilson  
Garfield Charter Twp. Supervisor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kay Schumacher  
Garfield Charter Twp. Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_