RESOLUTION 2023-16

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

FOR THE COPPERWOOD MINE PROJECT BY HIGHLAND COPPER COMPANY IN GOGEBIC COUNTY, MICHIGAN

At the Regular Meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Ontonagon, duly held on October 9th, 2023, duly held in the offices at 315 Quartz Street, Ontonagon, Michigan, the following Resolution was offered by Trustee <u>Chastan</u> supported by Trustee <u>Marks</u>.

PRESENT: Chastan, Marks, Rebholz, Seid, Waldrop, Hopper & Coey

ABSENT: None

WHEREAS the Village of Ontonagon supports the development of safe, modern and responsible mining as planned for Highland Copper Company's Copperwood Mine Project located in Ironwood and Wakefield Townships of Gogebic County, Michigan, and;

WHEREAS the Village of Ontonagon acknowledges the commitment of Highland Copper Company to maintain their transparent and regular engagement with local and regional communities and remain a positive partner for the region, and;

WHEREAS the Village of Ontonagon recognizes the commitment of Highland Copper Company to develop an environmentally sound copper mine that will maximize local employment and will provide expansive economic benefits to the Western Upper Peninsula, contributing to the revitalization of the local and regional economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Village of Ontonagon fully supports the development of Highland Copper Company's Copperwood Mine Project.

THIS RESOLUTION is hereby approved by roll call vote:

YEAS: Chastan, Marks, Rebholz, Seid & Coey

NAYS: Waldrop & Hopper

And, adopted by a 2/3rds vote of the Village Council of the Village of Ontonagon, this 9th day of October, 2023.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Ontonagon, County of Ontonagon, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on Monday, October 9, 2023, that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267 of Public Acts of Michigan 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Kori Weisinger, Village Clerk