

**Houghton County Board of Commissioners**

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**HOUGHTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THERE ARE ONLY TWO SEXES MALE AND FEMALE**

**RESOLUTION #25-032**

**WHEREAS**, Houghton County currently uses the State of Michigan's Birth, Marriage and Death Certificates; and

**WHEREAS**, unknown, other and undetermined are not options that should be considered on birth, marriage and death certificates; and

**WHEREAS**, a male has XY Chromosomes, and a female has XX Chromosomes; and

**WHEREAS**, if you are born a male XY or born a female XX that sex will follow you from your birth, marriage and death certificate; and

**WHEREAS**, there are no other options.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Houghton County Board of Commissioners encourage all other Michigan Counties and the State of Michigan to recognize there are only two sexes, Male, and, Female, and science is clear you cannot change your chromosomes.

Upon a call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Moved by Commissioner:

Supported by Commissioner:

Roll Call Vote:

Yes

No:

**Motion carried.**

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Tom Tikkanen, Chairman  
Houghton County Board of Commission

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Date

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

STATE OF MICHIGAN       )  
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COUNTY OF HOUGHTON )

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified County Clerk of the County of Houghton, State of Michigan do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the County Board of the County of Houghton at its Regular meeting held on December 9, 2025, the original of which Resolution is on file in my office.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my official signature, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2025.

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Jennifer Kelly, County Clerk  
County of Houghton