## [No. 184]

## (HB 5091)

AN ACT to strongly encourage state agencies and units of local government to exercise their constitutional ability to place the national motto in or on public buildings or land in this state.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

## 2.161 Definitions.

Sec. 1. As used in this act:

- (a) "State agency" means a department, board, commission, office, agency, authority, or other unit of state government. State agency includes a state institution of higher education.
- (b) "Unit of local government" means a political subdivision of this state, including school districts, community college districts, intermediate school districts, public school academies, cities, villages, townships, counties, and authorities, if the political subdivision has as its primary purpose the providing of local governmental service for citizens in a geographically limited area of the state and has the power to act primarily on behalf of that area.

## 2.162 National motto; placement in public buildings.

Sec. 2. This state strongly encourages each state agency and unit of local government to exercise their constitutional ability to place the national motto "In God We Trust" in or on public buildings or land owned or occupied by that state agency or unit of local government.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

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