

Rep. MacMaster offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 179.

A resolution to oppose United Nations Agenda 21 and its destructiveness to the founding principles of the United States, and to encourage local governments to be well-informed about the underlying harmful implications of adopting its strategies.

Whereas, United Nations Agenda 21 is a comprehensive plan of environmental and social engineering that was initiated at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in 1992; and

Whereas, United Nations Agenda 21 is being covertly pushed into local communities throughout the United States through the International Council of Local Environmental Initiatives, now known as ICLEI, the Wildlands Network, and local "sustainable development" policies such as Smart Growth, Resilient Cities, and Regional Visioning Projects. The influence of the ICLEI has now infiltrated approximately 500 local and regional entities in the United States, including five communities in Michigan; and

Whereas, The Agenda 21 plan undermines basic principles upon which this country was founded and prospered. It views the American way of life of private property ownership, single family homes, private car ownership, individual travel choices, and privately owned farms as destructive to the environment. It describes social justice as the right and opportunity of all people to benefit equally from the resources afforded us by society and the environment, which would be accomplished by redistribution of wealth; and

Whereas, Neither the federal government, nor any state or local government, is legally bound by United Nations Agenda 21. Furthermore, membership into the United Nations by any local community or local unit of government is unconstitutional. Fifty-four local and regional entities withdrew from ICLEI enrollment in 2011 due to the negative consequences experienced through implementation of Agenda 21; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we oppose United Nations Agenda 21 and its destructiveness to the founding principles of the United States, and encourage local governments to be well-informed about the underlying harmful implications of adopting its strategies; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Municipal League, the Michigan Townships Association, the Michigan Association of Counties, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.