

RESOLUTION

LeRoy CUSD No. 2 Board of Education

WHEREAS, the LeRoy Board of Education has been monitoring developments pertaining to a proposed wind project in West and Bellflower Townships known as "Sapphire Sky Wind";

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the benefits of the proposed Sapphire Sky Wind Project to McLean County;

WHEREAS, McLean County's experience with other wind projects has been positive;

WHEREAS, Illinois is ranked 6th in the country for wind production and McLean County is the top wind energy producer in the state of Illinois;

WHEREAS, the development and existence of wind farms in McLean County not only contributes to the property tax base but also provides jobs to our citizens and ancillary support for local business opportunities;

WHEREAS, McLean County has collected over \$52,000,000 in property taxes from the existing wind farms in the County with an estimated benefit to McLean County schools of over \$34,000,000;

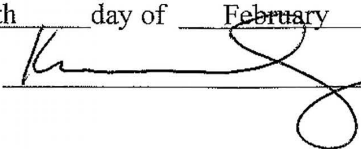
WHEREAS, the Board desires to adopt this Resolution setting forth its support of the proposed Sapphire Sky Wind Project;

THEREFORE, the Board resolves as follows:

1. The Board acknowledges the economic benefit afforded to the various Taxing Bodies and specifically LeRoy CUSD#2 regarding the 250 MW Project, and further recognizes the essential nature of economic growth in our school district to reduce the burden on home and land owners.
2. The Board indicates its support of the Project, given this significant investment, together with the other economic benefits that will accrue to McLean County and LeRoy CUSD No. 2 by hosting a wind project of this scale in our school district. We see the potential of educational benefit for our students that serve to match our vision of "Experiences in Learning."
3. The Board indicates that the burden born for educating the students of our school district rest primarily with our property owners and while the new funding model is intended to appropriately share the burden between the local school district and the State, today the burden is ours and this stimulus to our value base is both good for our students and beneficial to the property owners in our school district.
4. By its signature below, the Board directs its Secretary to provide a copy of this Resolution to the McLean County Board and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Adopted this 8th day of February 2021.

Board President:



Board Secretary:

