MEMORANDUM

Office of the City Manager

DATE: **October 8, 2014**

TO: **Joseph A. Valentine, City Manager**

FROM: **Amanda Thomas, Management Analyst**

SUBJECT: **Michigan Municipal League Board of Directors**

The City of Birmingham is a member of the Michigan Municipal League, a highly active advocacy group that represents Michigan communities at the state and federal level.

The Michigan Municipal League is holding an election for this year's Board of Directors. Three of the Board's incumbent trustees are seeking re-election for an additional three year term. These three incumbent Board members are:

- Jason Eppler, City Manager, City of Ionia
- Sue Osborn, Mayor, City of Fenton
- David Post, Village Manager, Village of Hillman

A resolution is required to authorize the City of Birmingham's vote to be cast for the above persons to serve as Trustees of the Michigan Municipal League's Board of Directors. These three incumbent board members are the only three candidates seeking re-election to this Board.

SUGGESTED RESOLUTION:

To authorize the City Manager to cast a vote, on the City's behalf, for the three incumbent members of the Michigan Municipal League's Board of Directors for three year terms, beginning January 1, 2015.

THE CANDIDATES

Three-year terms beginning January 1, 2015

Jason Eppler, City Manager, City of Ionia

Jason has over seventeen years of experience as a municipal official, serving the last seven as the manager in Ionia. He is a member of the MML Transportation Infrastructure Committee, the International City Management Association and the Michigan Local Government Association. He also serves on the boards of the Sparrow-Ionia Hospital, its foundation, the Ionia County Chamber of Commerce and is past president of the Ionia County United Way. Jason is also a member and director of the Ionia Rotary Club and a director of the Ionia County Economic Alliance. Jason is seeking re-election to his third term.

Sue Osborn, Mayor, City of Fenton

Sue has more than twenty-nine years of experience as a municipal official, serving as the mayor in the City of Fenton for the last sixteen. She was appointed to Fenton's city council in 1985 and has been a continuous member since that time. Prior to her council service, she was a member of the Planning Commission from 1978-1985. Sue is a member of the Michigan Association of Mayors and is also active in several local and regional civic organizations. Sue is seeking election to her first term.

David Post, Village Manager, Village of Hillman

Dave has more than nineteen years of experience as a municipal official, serving as the manager in the Village of Hillman the entire nineteen years. Dave is a past member of the Michigan Municipal League Board of Trustees and several MML committees. He is currently a member of the MML Municipal Finance Committee and the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments board. Dave is also active in several local and regional civic organizations. Dave is seeking election to his first term.