

Resolution of the Township of HAVEN

Date: April 24, 1997

R-3-97

Whereas, The Township of HAVEN, is a governmental subdivision of the County of Sherburne, State of Minnesota;

Whereas, approximately 26% of the income for the County of Sherburne is a result of the value placed upon the attached machinery and tools (personal property taxes) at the NSP power plant located in the City of Becker, County of Sherburne;

Whereas, Sherburne County as a whole is experiencing an influx of people who require added schools, roads, services from both the County and this township to provide for the necessary infrastructure; and,

Whereas, if the personal property tax for attached machinery is eliminated or decreased, then it would directly affect the ability of both the Township and the County to provide the necessary services to our young and growing populace.

Now, therefore, the Township Board of Supervisors for the Township of HAVEN, County of Sherburne hereby makes the following:

RESOLUTION

1. The Township of HAVEN, County of Sherburne, believes that the issue of personal property tax is a deregulation issue and should be dealt with in that manner and is not that of a property tax reform issue.
2. The Township of HAVEN, County of Sherburne believes that the investor owned utilities (IOUs) should provide evidence that elimination or the need to decrease the personal property tax is necessary for the IOUs to effectively compete in a deregulated marketplace.

3. If the State of Minnesota chooses to adversely affect our tax base, then they should ensure that the Township and County residents are not adversely affected in the level of services provided and that the same be paid for by the State. The Township also recognizes that if the tax base is distorted by the decrease or elimination of the personal property taxes on attached machinery, it will negatively impact the township's ability to raise funds for necessary services.

4. The Township requests that the County of Sherburne act as its liaison in forwarding a copy of this resolution to its legislators.

This resolution ~~passed~~ on the 21 day of April, 1997.

Dated:

M. C. Zorn Clerk