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Dear Mayor Barnett and President Hooper:

I am submitting this communication as a formalized request to have the presentation and/or adoption of a City of Rochester Hills Resolution (See proposed resolution). The resolution as read into the City Council Minutes of Monday January 23, 2012 is in opposition to HB 5039 which is pending in the Judiciary Committee in the Michigan State House of Legislature.

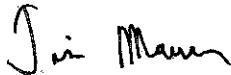
I wish to have this item put on the City Council's agenda for **Monday, February 13, 2012.**

The attached resolution is in response and against HB 5039 which is currently in the State House Judiciary Committee.

Councilman, Ravi Yalamanchi also requested that the resolution be put on the formal agenda for discussion and /or adoption.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 248-836-7677 or at [TimothyJMaurer@aol.com](mailto:TimothyJMaurer@aol.com).

Thank you in advance for time and consideration and please e-mail me confirmation of receipt of this formalized request.



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*WHEREAS, the diversity of our community makes Rochester Hills a great place to live, work, and raise a family; and*

*WHEREAS, the City of Rochester Hills recognizes that respect for diversity is a vital component of successful economic development and talent retention; and*

*WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 22 of the Michigan Constitution guarantees each city and village the "power to adopt resolutions and ordinances relating to its municipal concerns"; and*

*WHEREAS, the State has no legitimate interest in restricting the ability of local units of government to adopt anti-discrimination ordinances that reflect the values and unique circumstances of our communities and opposes House Bill 5039 and urges the Michigan Legislature to defeat this legislation.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to State Representative Tom McMillin, State Senator Jim Marleau and the members of the State House Judiciary Committee.*