

## Molly Wingrove

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Dear Chair Scott and Clerk Wingrove,

**Please attach my testimony in OPPOSITION to House Bills 5120-5123 for the October 18<sup>th</sup> "Energy, Communications and Technology" committee meeting.**

I am writing to state my strong opposition to ongoing efforts to gut local communities of their political agency when it comes to utility-scale wind and solar installations. I am not opposed to renewables, but the legislation in question threatens to turn Michigan into an APARTHEID ENERGY STATE, where one class of people (urbanites and suburbanites) exploits another class of people (rural Michiganders) by silencing their voices.

Local townships have spent hundreds of hours and thousands of dollars developing reasonable, smart wind and solar ordinances designed to keep their constituents safe—both physically and psychologically. **The legislation in question is an act of political violence that threatens the physical and psychological health and safety of rural Michiganders—plain and simple.**

I ask you to respect the wishes of the people and the townships that represent them: **Vote No on House Bills 5120-5123.** We the people have spoken, we the people are speaking, and we the people will continue to speak out against this most aggressive and egregious example of government overreach.

Respectfully,

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