

1 **Emergency Resolution in Support of Sending a Letter of Solidarity to Flint and**
2 **Michigan Teachers Unions**

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4 Whereas, teachers, students, and other citizens of Flint have endured many
5 months of having a contaminated water supply that subjected children to lead
6 poisoning, and

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8 Whereas, experts report that the water pipes in Flint need to be replaced,
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11 Whereas, conditions in Detroit schools are deplorable—crumbling buildings,
12 vermin-infested classrooms, intolerably large class sizes, a shortage of books and
13 other supplies, and no salary increases for teachers for 10 years, and

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15 Whereas, teachers—with the support of parents and students— have been
16 protesting those terrible conditions with sick outs for several weeks, and

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18 Whereas, Governor Rick Snyder appointed the same emergency manager for
19 both cities, a manager who switched Flint’s water supply to the contaminated Flint
20 River in order to cut costs, and who now runs a draconian austerity program for
21 Detroit schools, therefore be it

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23 **RESOLVED, that the PSC send a letter to the teachers locals of Flint and**
24 **Detroit in solidarity with their vitally important struggle for Federal and State**
25 **funding to replace Flint’s water pipes, to provide health and educational**
26 **services for children affected by lead poisoning, and for full funding to**
27 **improve the schools of Flint and Detroit.**

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