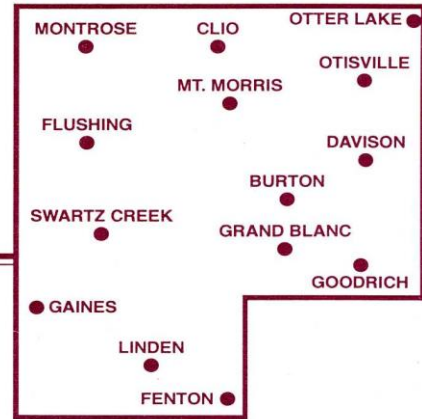


GENESEE COUNTY
**Small Cities & Villages
Association**



Resolution 23-1

A Resolution opposing the reduction of Genesee County's six satellite out-county district court buildings

WHEREAS, the Genesee County Small Cities & Villages Association has been made aware through a September 14, 2023 article in the Flint Journal that the Genesee County Board of Commissioners is considering reducing the county's six satellite out-county district court buildings from six to no more than two, with the first phase of the plan to be implemented by the first quarter of 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Genesee County Small Cities & Villages Association believes implementation of this proposal would negatively impact the police budgets of the Cities and Villages by way of increased costs for police staffing and overtime cost by not having a local court; and

WHEREAS, the Genesee County Small Cities & Villages Association believes that eliminating the out-county courts will also create public safety issues. Police officers that are required to attend court proceedings out of their jurisdiction will not be readily available to handle emergency matters in their jurisdiction and response times will suffer greatly; and

WHEREAS, the 67th District Court operates locations in Flushing, Davison, Burton, Mt. Morris, Fenton, and Grand Blanc. The Genesee County Small Cities & Villages Association believes that the needs of local residents, business owners, and senior citizens, especially those needing ADA accommodations, would best be served by continuing to provide court services to them at the current court locations, and that a change of court location to downtown Flint would place an undue burden and hardship on them;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Genesee County Small Cities & Villages Association strongly opposes the reduction in number or location of out-county district courts in Genesee County.

Dated: September 20, 2023

Joe Karlichek, Chairman
Genesee County Small Cities & Villages Association