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Supervisor Mandy Grewal Announces Help For Eligible Pittsfield Charter Township Residents

Ann Arbor (January 23, 2009) – “The brutal economic conditions facing our residents demand action,” declared Supervisor Mandy Grewal of Pittsfield Charter Township. “In response to the prolonged pressure of rising energy prices, I am recommending a moratorium on resident water and sewer fee increases to the Board at its January 27, 2009 meeting. Furthermore, I will ask the Board’s concurrence on establishing a new program to help the eligible low-income residents of Pittsfield Township reduce their water and sewer bills by 25%.”

“Public service is a responsibility that I take seriously and intend to exercise to the extent allowed by law,” Grewal stated. “My administration is making a concerted effort to help our residents take advantage of resources that will keep them secure in their homes.”

“I want residents to know that in addition to the Utility Hardship Assistance Program, they may also qualify to receive a property tax reduction that is over and above the \$1200 maximum Homestead Property Tax Credit granted by the State of Michigan,” Grewal emphasized. “I ran for office to serve the good people of Pittsfield Township and as Supervisor, along with the Board of Review and the Township Assessor, I intend to grant property tax exemptions within the income and asset levels set by the Federal Office of Housing and Urban Development. These are harsh times for low-income families, seniors and others on fixed incomes and I will do everything within my power to keep our residents safe and to preserve their dignity,” Grewal pledged.

The Utility Hardship Assistance Program will apply to customers’ domestic water use and not to irrigation meters. Instructions, requirements and applications for the program are available upon request by phone at 734-822-3105 or via E-mail at utilities@pittsfieldtwp.org.

To learn more about the Property Tax Poverty Exemption call 734-822-3115 or E-mail ryanr@pittsfieldtwp.org.

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