

**RESOLUTION OF THE SELECT BOARD OF THE  
TOWN OF GOULDSBORO, MAINE**

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's biennial budget proposal places towns in an uncertain fiscal situation: and

**WHEREAS**, the proposal includes elimination of \$283 million in municipal revenue sharing and falls \$200 million short of funding local schools at the 55% level passed in referendum; would eliminate the Homestead Exemption for anyone under the age of 65; would eliminate the "circuit breaker" property tax and rent relief program for anyone under the age of 65; would take \$8 million in truck excise revenue from towns; and would create a corporate tax exemption for large amounts of currently taxable property; all resulting in significant losses of revenue for Gouldsboro; and

**WHEREAS**, all the above would shift part of the costs to the Town of Gouldsboro, approximately \$83,000, whose only major means of raising revenue is property taxes; be it

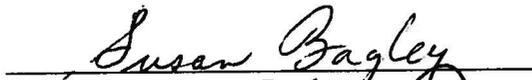
**RESOLVED**, the Gouldsboro Select Board calls upon the Maine Legislature to reject these proposals, identify less harmful cost savings, and raise revenue in an equitable fashion to avoid this added revenue burden on the Town.

Given under our hands and sealed in Gouldsboro, Maine this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013

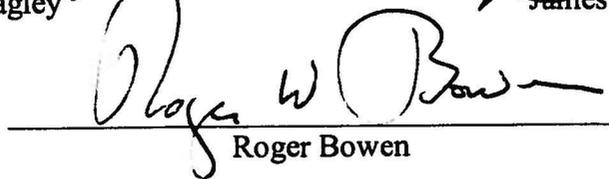
**MUNICIPAL OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF GOULDSBORO**

  
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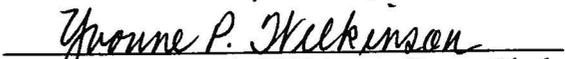
  
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Susan Bagley

  
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James McLean

  
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Roger Bowen

(municipal seal)

  
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Attest: Yvonne P. Wilkinson, Town Clerk