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**RESOLUTION #1066-09-17-2024**

**Resolution Approving a Moratorium on Data Mining Facilities**

**WHEREAS**, Data Mining is the commercial process by which volumes of data are analyzed to find patterns, discover trends, and gain insight into how the data can be used will constitute a commercial data mining operation; and

**WHEREAS**, concerns have been raised by public officials regarding the county's level of preparedness when it comes to the development of Data Mining Facilities within the county due to not having a current Data Mining Facility ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the county has an interest in protecting the county's infrastructure, natural resources, and property rights through adequate setback provisions. The Planning and Zoning Commission will require time to gather information and coordinate with multiple agencies for the purpose of reviewing, updating, or creating ordinances, policies, and procedures relative to Data Mining Facilities development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Jackson County Board of Supervisors wishes to enact a moratorium on the development and construction of Data Mining Facilities and on issuing application for permits relating to such development and construction of Data Mining Facilities, for the term of 9 months, which may be extended upon resolution of the Board of Supervisors, to allow the Board of Supervisors to adopt an ordinance that balances the rights of property owners seeking to have Data Mining Facilities on their property and be mindful of the health and safety of others.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Supervisors of Jackson County, Iowa, that a moratorium is approved for a period of 9 months through June 30, 2025 on the development and construction of Data Mining Facilities, and the application for permits relating to such development and construction of Data Mining Facilities at the end of which time the moratorium could be extended by resolution if deemed necessary by the Jackson County Board of Supervisors; and

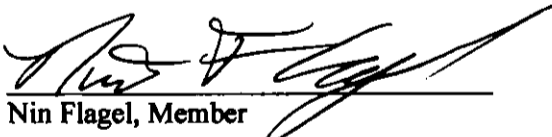
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Jackson County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to end the moratorium prior to the approved term of the moratorium upon completion of a satisfactorily developed Data Mining Facilities Ordinance; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the moratorium approved by this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption of this Resolution.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON THIS 17<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024.**

  
Mike Steines, Chair

  
Alisa Smith, County Auditor Deputy  
Shelley Hays

  
Nin Fligel, Member

  
Don Schwenker, Member