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Windsor Charter Township Clerk Elected MTA President

Delta Charter Township, Mich.— Windsor Charter Township (Eaton Co.) Clerk Linda Towsley was elected president of the Michigan Townships Association (MTA) Board of Directors at the Association's 57th Annual Educational Conference, held Jan. 27-29, 2010, at DeVos Place in Grand Rapids.

"As MTA president, I am looking forward to working closely with our members to ensure they get the information they need from MTA county chapters and the Board," said Towsley. "This year, it will be crucial for townships to work together and with state legislators to protect our revenue sharing and prevent state-mandated local government consolidation that would only increase the cost of government."

Towsley initially got involved in township government by working elections. She worked as deputy clerk starting in 1986 until she was appointed clerk in 1988.

"I wasn't sure I'd stay for very long, but I fell in love with the people and the job," she said.

In addition to serving on the MTA Board for the past 13 years, Towsley was president of the Eaton County MTA Chapter, worked on committees for the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks, and was president, among other offices, of Capital Area Municipal Clerks. Towsley has also served on the Girl Scout Board of Directors as well as many church boards.

Towsley and Tom, her husband of 40 years, have three children—Denise, Keri and Allen—and are the proud grandparents of three.

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The Michigan Townships Association promotes the interests of Michigan townships by fostering strong, vibrant communities; advocating legislation to meet 21st century challenges; developing knowledgeable, township officials and enthusiastic supporters of township government; and encouraging ethical practices of elected officials who uphold the traditions and unique characteristics of township government and the values of the people of Michigan.