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I am writing to express my full support for the \$80 fee increase requested by the State Bar of Michigan.

I support this fee increase because I value the work of the State Bar and because there has not been a fee increase in 18 years. This fee increase ensures State Bar of Michigan members will continue to have access to the extensive benefits like: the ethics hotline, lawyer referral, E-journal, and LJAP.

The State Bar continues to bring diverse perspectives to bear on public policy initiatives and innovations that advance improvements to Michigan's justice system. The State Bar has also been integral in leading efforts to improve Michigan's criminal indigent defense system. The State Bar's work supports greater access to justice including advocacy for the legal aid community and its funding, and maintenance of Michigan's pro bono service infrastructure.

For all of these reasons and more, I support the full \$80 fee increase requested by the State Bar. Thank you.