



CITY OF INKSTER

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Inkster, MI – Inkster Mayor Byron Nolen and members of the City Council today touted the release of the municipality from its consent agreement with the State of Michigan as tangible proof that the City of Inkster is thriving.

“I boldly predicted in my recent State of the City address that we would be a city free from state government intervention, making decisions for ourselves because no one knows better than us what we need,” Nolen said. “Well, that day has come, affirming what former Mayor and Council, the current Council and I already knew: That Inkster is trending in the right direction – financially, socially and civically.”

Since February 29, 2012, after a finding by the state that the municipality was “in a condition of severe financial stress,” Inkster city government has operated under a Consent Agreement with the Michigan Department of Treasury. One step removed from outright receivership, said covenant prescribed the framework by which Inkster elected and appointed leaders partnered with the state to develop the municipal budget and strategically grow the city.

Termination of the Consent Agreement by the Michigan Treasury essentially is an acknowledgement by the state that Inkster government leaders again are excelling at balancing the budget and providing city services.

“Simply put, the financial emergency is over,” Nolen said, thanking Treasury for its help during Inkster’s time of need and asserting his “hope to maintain a collegial working relationship with the State of Michigan in the future.”

Lastly, a special thank you to the citizens and employees of the city of Inkster, your dedication and commitment has been unwavering.

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