

RESOLUTION NO. 38-19  
CITY OF CENTERVILLE, OHIO

SPONSORED BY COUNCILMEMBER Belinda Kenley ON THE  
3rd DAY OF June, 2019

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE OHIO GOVERNOR AND  
MEMBERS OF THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO  
RESTORE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND TO PRE-  
RECESSION LEVELS.**

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Fund was reduced in 2011 by 50% during the Kasich Administration, from 3.68% of General Revenue Funds to its current level of 1.66% of General Revenue Funds; and

**WHEREAS**, past Ohio General Assemblies have repeatedly decreased funding and revenue sharing in recent years in addition to significantly reducing the Local Government Fund, including eliminating the Estate Tax and phasing out the Tangible Personal Property Tax; and

**WHEREAS**, these reductions have resulted in a loss of revenue of approximately \$9.4 million for the City of Centerville; and

**WHEREAS**, this sudden revenue loss has made it increasingly difficult to provide basic services, rebuild infrastructure, and bolster public safety services to fight the opioid epidemic; and

**WHEREAS**, when municipalities experience success in fostering safe communities, building sound infrastructure, and increasing economic development, the State of Ohio reaps the benefits as well; and

**WHEREAS**, a reinvestment of Local Government Fund would aid the state in its goal of lowering taxes on the individual by enabling municipalities to decrease the local tax burden.

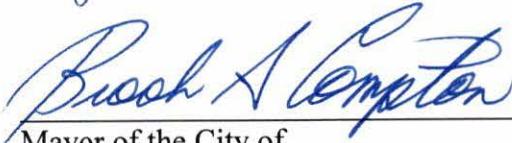
**NOW THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTERVILLE HEREBY  
RESOLVES:**

Section 1. The Ohio General Assembly should restore the Local Government Fund to pre-recession levels, ensuring that these local communities are able to provide crucial services and improvements in infrastructure and public safety.


Section 2. This Council does hereby declare its opposition to any further cuts to the Local Government Fund or the future diversion of revenues from the Local Government Fund.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

PASSED THIS 3rd day of June, 2019.

  
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Mayor of the City of  
Centerville, Ohio

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk of Council  
City of Centerville, Ohio

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, Clerk of Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, hereby certifies the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 38-19, passed by the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio on the 3rd day of June, 2019.

  
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Clerk of the Council

Approved as to form, consistency  
with existing ordinances, the  
charter & constitutional provisions  
Department of Law  
Scott A. Liberman  
Municipal Attorney