## RESOLUTION NO. 22-08 CITY OF CENTERVILLE, OHIO

SPONSORED BY COUNCIL MEMBER John Beals ON THE 2/st DAY OF July, 2008.

A RESOLUTION BY THE CENTERVILLE CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF THE MERGER STUDY PROPOSAL.

WHEREAS, the City of Centerville Council recognizes that residents are being asked to make a decision whether to support the formation of a commission to study the pros and cons of a merger between Washington Township and the City of Centerville, and

WHEREAS, given that a significant majority of the citizens of this community would benefit financially from a merger, City Council feels it would be a dereliction of duty not to pursue the further study of a merger, and

WHEREAS, given recent findings from the University of Toledo study on potential consequences of a merger, all Centerville/Washington Township property owners would realize a significant property tax reduction, resulting in an annual community-wide property tax savings of approximately \$12-13 million per year, and

WHEREAS, the City of Centerville overwhelmingly supports the formation of a Merger Study Commission.

NOW THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTERVILLE HEREBY RESOLVES:

SECTION 1. That the City of Centerville Council encourages all residents to take the time to study the data available and to support the formation of a commission to thoroughly study the potential benefits of a merger.

SECTION 2. That the City of Centerville Council hereby unanimously and enthusiastically supports the Merger Study Proposal and asks all citizens to utilize this available process under Ohio law to help us work through the merger questions methodically and productively, and therefore encourages registered voters to sign the petitions to place the issue of the formation of a Merger Study Commission on the November 2008 ballot.

PASSED this <u>21st</u> day of July, 2008.

Mayor of the City of Centerville, Ohio

ATTEST:

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. 22-08, passed by the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio on the 2/s day of  $\sqrt{2008}$ .

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