

**VILLAGE OF NEW RICHMOND  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-09**

**RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING THE OHIO GOVERNOR AND  
MEMBERS OF THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO RESTORE THE LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT FUND TO PRERECESION LEVELS**

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Fund was reduced in 2011 by 50% during Gov. Kasich's 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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the Village of New Richmond, Clermont County, Ohio; and

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

**WHEREAS**, a reinvestment in the 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** be it resolved, that New Richmond Village Council, with a majority of its members concurring:

**Section 1.** The Ohio General Assembly should restore the Local Government Fund to pre-recession levels, ensuring that 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.** That the Village by a  $\frac{3}{4}$  majority vote hereby dispenses with the requirement that the Resolution be read on three separate days and hereby authorizes the adoption of the Resolution upon its first reading. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from the earliest date allowed by law.

**Section 4.** That Council finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting and that all deliberations of Council which resulted in the passage of this Resolution were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code and that this Resolution shall take effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

Councilperson Feldkamp seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Richard Feldkamp	<u>Y</u>
Mary Allen	<u>Y</u>
Larry Prues	<u>Y</u>
Ryan Woodruff	<u>Y</u>
Dennis Dalton	<u>Y</u>
Jon Tharpe	<u>Y</u>

First Reading	<u>03-28-2023</u>
Second Reading	<u>4-11-2023</u>
Third Reading	<u>4-25-2023</u>

Adopted: 4-25-2023

Attest:

Glenn Ewing  
Glenn Ewing, Mayor

Kelley Snider  
Kelley Snider, Council Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Scott Sollmann

Scott Sollmann, Law Solicitor

**CERTIFICATE**

I, the undersigned, hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of Resolution 2023-09 passed at a meeting of Council of the Village of New Richmond on the 25 day of April, 2023, and that I am duly authorized to execute this certificate.

Kelley Snider  
Kelley Snider, Clerk of Council