

First Reading: May 24, 2005

Second Reading: dispensed

Third Reading: dispensed

RESOLUTION 3 -2005

**A RESOLUTION TO INFORM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
THE IMPORTANCE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND TO OHIO CITIES**

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the General Assembly will begin deliberations in preparation for the 2006/2007 biennial budget; and

WHEREAS, the Local Government Fund was created in 1934 for the stated purpose of support for local government activities; and

WHEREAS, contributions from the major tax sources into the Local Government Fund were reduced permanently in 1995; and

WHEREAS, freezes implemented in 2002/2003 and continued through 2004/2005 have reduced the amount of financial support received from the state; and

WHEREAS, Cities would lose 20% and Villages would lose 10% of revenue that has been used to assist with providing our residents with essential services such as police patrol and response, fire and EMT response, homeland security, parks and recreation and snow removal; and

WHEREAS, Cities and Villages provide the first line of response to the residents in the State which members of the General Assembly cannot provide but should ensure are present.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of Newtown, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. The Council of the Village of Newtown hereby expresses its strong support for the Local Government Fund remaining in place and providing its current function of assisting in support of local government activities.

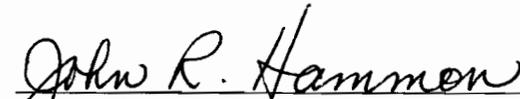
SECTION 2. That the Fiscal Officer of the Village is hereby instructed to transmit copies of this resolution to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, and chairpersons of the respective legislative committees for the 126th General Assembly.

SECTION 3. The Council of the Village of Newtown, by at least three-fourths vote of all its members, dispenses with the requirement that this Resolution be read on three separate days and authorizes its passage upon the first reading.

VOTE RECORD:

Mr. Evans yes Ms. Hueber yes Ms. McCarthy yes
Mr. Pulskamp yes Mr. Thomas yes

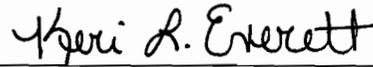
PASSED this 24th day of May, 2005.



John R. Hammon, Mayor
Village of Newtown, Ohio

AUTHENTICATION

This is to certify that this resolution was duly passed, and filed with the Village of Newtown Clerk-Treasurer, this 24th day of May, 2005.



Keri L. Everett, Fiscal Officer
Village of Newtown, Ohio

APPROVED AS TO FORM



R. Douglas Miller, Solicitor
Village of Newtown, Ohio