

**RESOLUTION NO. R2023-03**

**A RESOLUTION STRONGLY 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**, reductions in Local Government Funding alone have resulted in a loss of revenue to the City of Gallipolis of approximately \$300,000; and

**WHEREAS**, this sudden revenue loss has made it increasingly difficult to provide basic services, rebuild infrastructure, access grant funds requiring local matches, 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.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Commission of the City of Gallipolis, State of Ohio that:

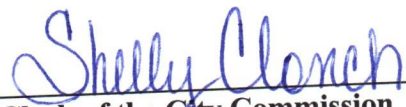
**SECTION 1:** The Ohio General Assembly should restore the Local Government Fund to pre-recession levels, ensuring that these local communities are able to provide crucial services and improvements in infrastructure and public safety.


**SECTION 2:** This Commission 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 be in full force and effect at the earliest period of time allowed by law.


**PASSED:** March 21, 2023

**ATTEST:**

  
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Clerk of the City Commission  
Shelly Clonch

  
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President of the City Commission  
Tony Gallagher

The foregoing Resolution is hereby approved as to form.

  
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Gallipolis City Solicitor  
Brynn S. Noe