**A JOINT RESOLUTION BETWEEN THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY COUNCIL, CITY OF \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, TOWN OF \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, AND \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ COMMUNITY SCHOOLS OPPOSING LEGISLATION THAT WILL HAVE DEVASTATING IMPACTS ON LOCAL UNITS WITHIN THE STATE OF INDIANA**

WHEREAS, state leaders and lawmakers have advocated for and introduced multiple pieces of legislation in the 2025 legislative session that would cut residential and business personal property bills for homeowners and businesses and change how these tax liabilities are calculated; and

WHEREAS, homeowners deserve affordable tax bills as well as adequate public services; and.

WHEREAS, the proposals introduced do not provide funding for adequate public services which would have devastating impacts on the delivery of essential city/town/county/school services; and

WHEREAS, the proposals introduced would stifle economic development opportunities in city/town/county impacting future growth; and

WHEREAS, the key proposals would have an impact on municipal taxing units exceeding $2 Billion; and

WHEREAS, the ability to adopt a local income tax option could be a helpful tool for units with this authority; however, it is not adequate to replace the magnitude of what is being eliminated, making it a necessity rather than an option; and

WHEREAS, with what amounts to a mandated income tax increase being the only alternative proposed by lawmakers, the homeowners the proposed tax cuts endeavor to assist would be among the same individuals paying the income tax, making businesses the only real recipient of the tax cuts; and

WHEREAS, those individuals who do not own their own home would see a tax increase; and

WHEREAS, if the proposed measures are adopted, across \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County, units will be forced to make significant cuts to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ services; and

WHEREAS, corporations would receive tax cuts, the relief would be short-lived when Indiana is unable to attract and retain an adequate and thriving workforce; and

WHEREAS,if the eliminations are to take place, school districts across \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County would be forced to make dramatic cuts to support transportation, bus replacement, school building maintenance, and technology upgrades; and

WHEREAS, the impact to city/town/county/school of these significant real property and business personal property tax cuts, as well as changes to how property taxes are calculated, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County, city/town/school in\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_County, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Community Schools would lose an estimated $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in tax revenues.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County Board of Commissioners, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County Council, Common Council for the City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Town Council of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Community Schools Board of Trustees, that we oppose any tax policy that impacts local units of government that does not come with a corresponding replacement revenue stream implemented by the State of Indiana and does no harm to our ability to carry out the expectations of Hoosiers now and into the future.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County Board of Commissioners, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ County Council, Common Council for the City of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Town Council of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Community………. [enter any additional pronouncements]

This resolution shall become effective upon the date of passage.

[INSERT SIGNATURE LINES]