## RESOLUTION NO. 2018-2

## A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION TO REINSTATE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND BACK TO THE 2005 FUNDING LEVELS

WHEREAS, the Local Government Funding in each County, Township, City, and Village pays for a wide range of vital services from police, fire and ambulances, parks and recreation, and public health clinics;

WHEREAS, the purpose of this legislation is to assist local communities to make ends meet and provide basic vital services;

WHEREAS, State cuts, coupled with tax breaks for the wealthy and big corporations, have created significant funding shortage at the local level, to the point where local governments cannot adequately provide many essential services;

WHEREAS, Local Government Funding would begin in July 2018 and continue each fiscal year thereafter;

WHEREAS, the State is sitting on a large budget surplus and taxpayers are frustrated and local governments are looking to the Legislature for assistance; and

WHEREAS, the State government has an obligation to partner with local government, not to bankrupt them.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Village of Belmont, Belmont County, Ohio:

SECTION 1. That Council supports the Local Government Funding Bill ("LGFB") introduced by State Representatives Jack Cera and John Rodgers.

SECTION 2. That Council respectfully requests that all State Representatives and State Senators support and vote for the LGFB.

STANLEY A. SOBEL, Mayor

## CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

The undersigned Clerk of Council hereby certifies that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by Belmont Village Council at a regular meeting on the 3rd day of May, 2018.

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Fiscal Officer and Clerk of Council