## RESOLUTION NO. R-2012-17

A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO PLACE A .5% GENERAL INCOME TAX INCREASE ON THE BALLOT FOR THE NOVEMBER 6, 2012 GENERAL ELECTION, SAID INCREASE TO BE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2013, AND NOTIFYING THE PORTAGE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO CAUSE NOTICE OF THE ELECTION, AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES.

WHEREAS, the Village of Windham is in a financially critical position and does not have the funds available to maintain current levels of service; and

WHEREAS, the amount of income taxes which are anticipated to be raised by the existing 1.5% income tax rate are insufficient to maintain the current level of Village of Windham day to day police safety, street maintenance and other similar services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of Windham, a majority or more of its members elected thereto concurring that:

Section One: This Council declares it necessary to raise the Village Income Tax by .5%, to a total of 2% effective January 1, 2013.

<u>Section Two</u>: It is necessary to increase the Village Income Tax by .5% for the benefit of the Village of Windham, Portage County, Ohio for the purpose of providing police, street maintenance and other general services provided by the Village, as provided in Ohio Revised Code, Section 718.01.

Section Three: That the Council has decided to submit the requested Income Tax increase to the electors of the Village at the general election on November 6, 2012, also in conformity with Section 718.01 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section Four: If a majority of the electors voting in the November 6, 2012 general election vote in favor of the income tax increase, said increase shall be effective beginning January 1, 2013.

Section Four: The form of the ballot to be cast at such election on the question of such tax shall be substantially as follows:

A majority of affirmative votes is necessary for passage.

Shall the Ordinance providing for an additional .5% levy on income tax for the purpose of providing police, street maintenance and other general services provided by the Village, which increase shall be effective January 1, 2013, be passed?

## FOR THE INCOME TAX INCREASE

## AGAINST THE INCOME TAX INCREASE

Section Five: That the Village Fiscal Officer shall deliver a certified copy of this Resolution and Ordinance O-2012-27 to the Board of Elections, Portage County, Ohio promptly

following adoption thereof so as to cause notice of election on the question of increasing said tax to be given as required by law.

<u>Section Six:</u> It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council, and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

First Reading May 22, 2012 Second Reading June 21, 2012 Third Reading July 24, 2012 Passed in Council this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2012.

Vote of Council:

Ayes: Mr. Garrett, Ms. Blewitt, Mr. Snyder, Mrs. Prem

Nays: Mrs. Barrett

ATTEST:	APPROVED:
Fiscal Officer, Lloyd Billman	Robert Donham, Mayor
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Village Solicitor, Thomas Reitz	