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RESOLUTION 46-20

A Resolution strongly opposing Senate Bill 352 and House Bill 754, legislation proposing the repeal of Section 29 of 197, which will result in a myriad of unintended consequences through Ohio's entire municipal income tax system, causing a substantial loss of revenue that will impede the ability of municipalities to provide for health, safety and welfare of municipal residents and business and thereby jeopardizing the future growth of the State of Ohio, and declaring an emergency.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Orrville, Ohio:

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have been advised of legislative proposals by Senator Kristina Roegner and Representative Kris Jordan to institute to repeal Section 29 of House Bill 197; and

WHEREAS, the proposal would repeal the emergency provision instructing municipal corporations such as the City of Orrville, Ohio, to continue withholding income tax at a taxpayer's place of work even if said taxpayer is currently working from home in another local jurisdiction due to the novel coronavirus pandemic until thirty days after the end of Governor DeWine's declaration of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the repeal of Section 29 of HB 197 would hurriedly and radically change the longstanding municipal income tax collection structure throughout the entire state of Ohio during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's cities rely on municipal income tax as their primary source of revenue to fund essential services such as public health and safety, police and fire services, utilities and critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the repeal of Section 29 of HB 197 would create substantial revenue cuts and destabilize the budgets of Ohio's largest economic centers, jeopardizing the state's economic competitiveness and stymieing future economic growth; and

WHEREAS, Ohio businesses would suffer the added administrative burden of tracking, reporting and remitting municipal income tax based on employee's work-from-home locations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Orrville, Ohio:

Section 1: That the City of Orrville, Ohio, urges that the Ohio General Assembly should not pass any legislation that would repeal Section 29 of HB 197.

Section 2: That the Ohio General Assembly and the DeWine Administration should establish a taskforce to study the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the future of the municipal income tax in Ohio before further action is taken regarding Section 29 of HB 197.

Section 3: That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate protection and preservation of the public peace, health, safety and general welfare of the City of Orrville, and our residents, and for the further reason that revenue forecasting and budget planning have begun for 2021 and it is critical for the City to evaluate and communicate the devasting effect that the proposed legislation would have on its finances going forward, and therefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

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Attest:		
Clerk of Council		
Approved: Mayor	function 11/Date	16/20