

RESOLUTION 2005-01

**TO INFORM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE IMPORTANCE OF LOCAL
GOVERNMENT FUNDS TO THE CITY OF MASON**

WHEREAS, it is anticipated the General Assembly will begin deliberations in preparation for the 2006/2007 biennial budget, and;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Fund was created in 1934 for the stated purpose of supporting local government activities, and;

WHEREAS, contributions from the major tax sources into the Local Government Fund were reduced permanently in 1995, and;

WHEREAS, freezes implemented in 2002/2003 and continued through 2004/2005 have reduced the amount of financial support received from the state, and;

WHEREAS, the City of Mason would lose over \$1,152,000 (received in 2003) that has been used to assist with providing our residents with essential services such as police patrol and response, homeland security, parks and recreation and snow removal.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Council of the City of Mason, Warren County, Ohio:

SECTION 1: The Council of Mason hereby expresses its strong support for the local government fund remaining in place and providing its current function of assisting in support of local government activities.

SECTION 2: That the Clerk of Council of the City of Mason, be and is hereby instructed to transmit copies of this resolution to the Governor, the President of the Senate, The Speaker of the House, and chairpersons of the respective legislative committees for the 126th General Assembly.

SECTION 3: That this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed this 24th day of January, 2005.

Attest:


Clerk of Council


Mayor