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RESOLUTION 93-09

SUPPORTING STATE AND FEDERAL MEASURES TO PROHIBIT THE MANDATING OF PROGRAMS WITHOUT PROVIDING A MEANS FOR FUNDING THEM

WHEREAS, local governments in Indiana operate under strict controls on local taxes; and

WHEREAS, these strict controls include a limit on local tax increases, which since 1973 has severely constrained the ability of local governments to discharge their required functions effectively; and

WHEREAS, recent unfunded state and federal mandates have aggravated the already serious funding problems for local governments in Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana Association Cities and Towns (IACT) acknowledged this problem in their Policy Resolution 4 for 1993, which urges Congress and the General Assembly to enact legislation or initiate constitutional amendments which prohibit the enforcement of mandates without funding; and

WHEREAS, the 1993 Indiana Senate Joint Resolution 0007 would forbid the state from passing any mandates on local governments without the means with which to pay for them;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

The Common Council supports Senate Joint Resolution 0007 and other measures by the General Assembly and the United States Congress to prohibit the enforcement of mandates without funding. A copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to appropriate state and federal officials and representatives.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 17th day of February, 1993.

JACK W. HOPKINS, President
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 18th day of February, 1993.

TOMILEA ALLISON, Mayor
City of Bloomington

ATTEST:

PATRICIA WILLIAMS, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution, sponsored by Jack Hopkins, urges support for legislation or constitutional amendments which would prohibit enforcement of state and federal funding mandates which are not accompanied with a means to pay for them.

Signed copies to:
IACT
State Legislators
Congress / Senate