

RESOLUTION 84-1


A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Bloomington Urging the Passage
of House Bill 1217

- WHEREAS: Since 1973 cities and towns in the State of Indiana have existed under a property tax control program; and
- WHEREAS: Under current statutes the City of Bloomington can anticipate a property tax levy increase for 1985 and 1986 of not more than 2.66%; and
- WHEREAS: City officials are forced to budget for increased costs which are beyond local control, most notably, state-mandated pension costs and state-controlled utilities costs; and
- WHEREAS, it is anticipated that pension and utilities increases alone will, in 1985, total more than a 2.66% increase will generate; and
- WHEREAS, The City of Bloomington is no longer able to properly maintain its infrastructure and is forced to delay those necessary improvements to promote economic development in our community; and
- WHEREAS, We have reached a point where we can no longer continue to provide basic services at the level and quality that our taxpayers have come to expect; and
- WHEREAS, The City of Bloomington cannot continue to grow and prosper under existing fiscal conditions; and
- WHEREAS, Local officials are elected by their constituents to conduct local affairs in a responsive, responsible, and prudent fashion, and home rule should include a local government financing plan which will allow those officials the flexibility to meet the needs of their community; and
- WHEREAS, It is recognized by two study groups, one appointed by the Governor and the other by the General Assembly, that local governments desperately need additional local funding;


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

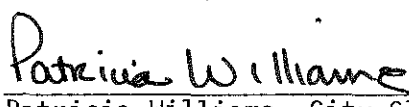
1. The Common Council endorses the position of the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns and strongly supports local funding outlined in House Bill 1217;
2. The Common Council urges that State Representatives Schultz and Bales and State Senator Duckworth vote for a bill that would allow local funding alternatives for our city.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington upon this 1st day of February, 1984.


PATRICIA GROSS, President
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 2nd day of February, 1984.


TOMILEA ALLISON, Mayor
City of Bloomington

ATTEST: 
Patricia Williams, City Clerk

Vote Ayes: 7
Nays: 0
Abstain: 1

1 member Absent

SYNOPSIS

This Resolution, sponsored by Council President Pat Gross, endorses House Bill 1217 and the position of the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns on local funding.

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