

TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

RESOLUTION NO. 07-07-19B

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, OPPOSING AN INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX UPON LAKE COUNTY RESIDENTS ONLY, AND ALL MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has been informed and advised that recent laws have been promulgated by the just concluded Indiana General Assembly in its 2007 session whereby an income tax mandate was imposed upon the residents and citizens of Lake County to effectuate property tax relief for taxpayers in Lake County, which requirement and mandate is not likewise imposed upon taxpayers and citizens in other Indiana Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, is aware of the long standing local unit jurisdictional authority and responsibility regarding budget establishment and decisions related to real property taxes which local unit authority has been abrogated by the new statutory enactments; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, is further advised and informed that the establishment of such mandated additional income tax for purported property tax relief penalizes taxpayers rather than providing new property tax relief; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, having reviewed the recently enacted statutory provisions referenced above, and considered same, now determines that it is appropriate, necessary, and in the best interests of the residents and citizens of the Town of St. John that notice be provided to the Lake County Council of its objection to the statutory enactments impacting St. John residents and taxpayers requesting, on behalf of the residents and citizens of the Town of St. John, that the Lake County Council determine not to approve and adopt legislation imposing an additional income tax upon the residents and taxpayers of the Town of St. John as residents of Lake County, and to take all actions required to seek repeal and/or amendment of the current state law now impacting and affecting St. John and Lake County residents and taxpayers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA:

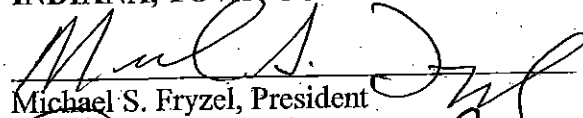
SECTION ONE: That the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, respectfully requests the Lake County Council to take those actions and measures granted to that body to not impose an additional improper and inappropriate income tax upon all residents of Lake County, including those affected residents and taxpayers of St. John affected thereby. Further, the Town Council of St. John requests that Lake County Council act and participate in all actions necessary and appropriate to cause repeal and/or amendment of the

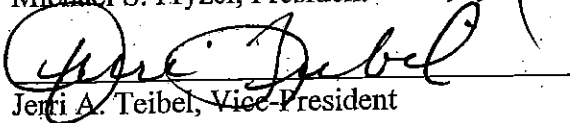
recently enacted statutory enactment to impose and mandate an additional income tax upon St. John and Lake County residents and taxpayers for the purpose of purported property tax relief.

SECTION TWO: That the Town Clerk-Treasurer is hereby instructed to transmit and forward this Resolution to the proper Officers of the Lake County Council for their deliberation and consideration, as well as to neighboring and affected Cities and Towns in Lake County.


**ALL OF WHICH IS PASSED AND RESOLVED THIS 19TH DAY OF JULY, 2007,
BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY,
INDIANA.**

**TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY,
INDIANA, TOWN COUNCIL**



Michael S. Fryzel, President


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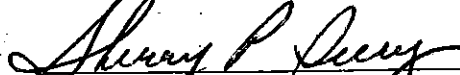


Mark Barenie, Member



Gregory J. Volk, Member

ATTEST:



Sherry P. Sury, Clerk-Treasurer