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TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA
RESOLUTION 2016-03

A RESOLUTION URGING THE INDIANA GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ADOPT HOUSE BILL 1191 REGARDING LOCAL FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAXES

WHEREAS, the Town of Whitestown is the fastest growing community in the State of Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Whitestown's unprecedented growth impacts local infrastructure and services at a cost to Whitestown residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, Whitestown's services are also frequently needed and used by residents and businesses in neighboring communities; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly has granted to some local communities, but not others, the right to adopt a local option food and beverage tax; and

WHEREAS, as a result, neighboring communities to Whitestown generate tax revenue from Whitestown residents for use in their own community, while Whitestown is not permitted to generate the same revenue from non-residents while still providing services to their direct benefit; and

WHEREAS, communities that have been afforded food and beverage tax revenue have utilized the additional resources for important local projects and efforts; and

WHEREAS, all local municipalities should be afforded the same options for raising revenue and competing for quality economic development; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 1191 proposes to give uniform authority to levy a food and beverage tax to every municipality in Indiana.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown hereby urges the Indiana General Assembly to adopt House Bill 1191 and provide uniform authority to all municipalities to levy an appropriate food and beverage tax.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE WHITESTOWN, INDIANA TOWN COUNCIL THIS 13th DAY OF JANUARY, 2016.

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THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA	YAY/NAY
Eric Miller	Yes
Susan Austin	Yes
Kevin Russell	YAY
Clinton Bohm	Yes
Jeffrey Wishek	Yes

ATTEST:

Amanda Andrews, Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Whitestown, Indiana

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