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VILLAGE OF CLAYTON

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Resolution 2024-04 Calling for an Increase in AIM Funding

The foregoing Resolution no. 2024-04 was offered by Trustee Heberling, and seconded by Trustee McDowell.

Whereas, the Aid and Incentives for Municipalities (AIM) program plays a critical role in funding essential municipal services for cities and villages across New York State; and

Whereas, city and village officials share the same priorities as our state leaders which is to make New York safer and more affordable; and

Whereas, New York’s local governments, who are on the frontlines of controlling property tax affordability and ensuring public safety, are integral to achieving those goals; and

Whereas, the State has not increased AIM funding in 15 years and according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, inflation has increased by nearly 45% during that same period; and

Whereas, this neglect from the State has led to rising municipal tax burdens and harmful disinvestment in essential municipal services and staff; and

Whereas, the property tax cap further limits the ability of local governments to properly fund the services their residents need; and

Whereas, the challenges of rising inflation, the increasing costs of labor and supplies, and the end of extraordinary federal aid, only accentuate the need for an increase in AIM funding; and

Whereas, the Governor’s 2024-25 Executive Budget proposes to keep AIM funding flat; and

Whereas, an increase in AIM funding would reduce the local tax burden and help revitalize communities across New York;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Village of Clayton urges Governor Hochul to work with the leaders of the Senate and Assembly and increase AIM funding in the 2024-25 adopted State Budget.

A copy of this resolution shall be sent to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Senator Mark Walczyk, Assemblymember Scott Gray and the New York State Conference of Mayors.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a roll call vote, which resulted as follows:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Nancy Hyde, Mayor	x___	___
Robert McDowell, Deputy Mayor	x___	___
Allen Heberling, Trustee	x___	___
Robert Riddoch, Trustee	x___	___
Robert Wierzba, Trustee	x___	___

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) ss:

I, Joanne Lenhard-Boye, the undersigned Clerk of the Village of Clayton, Jefferson County, New York, DO
HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of a meeting of the Village Board of said Village, including the resolution contained therein, held on the 26th day of February, 2024, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct transcript there from and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Village this 26th day of February, 2024.



Joanne Lenhard-Boye, Village Clerk