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CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. 17 - 2024

INTRODUCED BY: COUNCIL PRESIDENT SALVATORE, C/W

A RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING STATE LEGISLATION TO CONTROL INCREASES IN PROPERTY

VALUES FOR TAX PURPOSES,

AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, property tax assessments play a pivotal role in the fiscal outlook of a region, shaping not only government revenues, but also the economic well-being of property owners; and

WHEREAS, fluctuations in property tax assessments directly impact property owners, high valuations lead to increased tax burdens; and

WHEREAS, these increased tax burdens directly affect senior citizens families with children, those on fixed incomes, and those with mortgage tax escrow accounts; and

WHEREAS, a common trend with property taxes is that the more populated the county, the higher the property tax is likely to be. With a population of over 1.2 million residents, Cuyahoga County stands as one of the most populous counties in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Homeowners Relief Act, or HB 187, is a response to historic taxable property value hikes, initially upwards of 40% in some counties, expected in counties undergoing reappraisals in the wake of pandemic-induced skyrocketing property values; and

WHEREAS, HB 187 would have empowered local elected officials when it comes to property tax assessments and would have taken effect for tax year 2023, as several counties brace for sizeable tax increases; and

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WHEREAS, HB 187 passed out of the House of Representatives 58-26, and was amended in the Senate to an expanded homestead exemption which passed 31-0; and

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives chose not to take any action on HB 187 during the last session of 2023; and has taken no action in 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BROOK PARK, STATE OF OHIO, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That the Council of the City of Brook Park hereby supports and urges the Ohio Legislature to move HB 187 forward making changes to the law governing real property valuation.

SECTION 2: That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to send copies of this Resolution to State Representative Thomas Patton and State Senator Nickie Antonio.

SECTION 3: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 4: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of said City and to passage of HB 187; therefore provided this support the Resolution receives the affirmative vote of at least five (5) members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval_ by the Mayor; otherwise, from and after the earliest period allowed by

PASSED:

ATTEST:

CLERK

APPROVED:

I HEREBY APPROVE THE WITHIN INSTRUMENT AS TO LEGAL FORM AND CORRECTNESS

DIRECTOR OF LAW

CERTIFICATE Carol Johnson, Clerk of Council, of the City of Brook Park, Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of Ordinance Resolution No. passed on the day of WA Clerk of Council, Clerk of Council	Troyer Mencini Roberts Scott McCorkle Poindexter Dufour	
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