

**RESOLUTION 2021-03**  
**A RESOLUTION PETITIONING STATE LEGISLATURE**

**WHEREAS**, for over ninety years the state shared revenue program has been a key component of Wisconsin's state and local relationship and an important part of the state's overall program of property tax relief; and

**WHEREAS**, over the last 20 years shared revenue funding for municipalities has been cut by \$94 million; and

**WHEREAS**, over the last generation, property taxes have grown as a share of city and village revenues as shared revenue and other state aid to Wisconsin municipalities has lagged; and

**WHEREAS**, state aid provided a larger share of municipal revenues in Wisconsin than property taxes from 1975-1997. Today property taxes account for more than twice as much municipal revenue as state aid; and

**WHEREAS**, to create and maintain quality communities that attract businesses and families, municipalities must invest in services and infrastructure that people and businesses expect, like police protection, fire suppression, road maintenance, snowplowing, and parks; and

**WHEREAS**, the state should reinvest a portion of its sales and income tax revenue growth in local communities to spur further economic growth and make Wisconsin communities places where people want to live and work.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village of Waldo, Sheboygan County, calls on the Legislature to pass a state budget increasing funding for the shared revenue program and directs the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the state legislators representing the Village of Waldo, to Governor Tony Evers and to the League of Wisconsin Municipalities.

**Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021 by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Waldo, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin.**

**Introduced by Trustee Michael Hintz Supported by Trustee Christopher Madgwick  
unanimously approved by the Village of Waldo Board of Trustees (with one absent)**

  
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Gary Dekker, Village President

**ATTEST:** I hereby certify that Resolution 2021-03 was adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Waldo Village Board of Trustees held on April 12, 2021 and is duly recorded in the minutes of said meeting and has been posted pursuant to Wis. Stats., and Chapter 36, Waldo Code.

  
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Michelle J. Brecht Waldo Village and Utility Clerk-Treasurer