



VILLAGE OF WESTON, MARATHON COUNTY, WISCONSIN

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-031

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LEAGUE OF WISCONSIN MUNICIPALITIES
PARTNERSHIP FOR PROSPERITY**

WHEREAS, the state Legislature and the Governor understand that job creation and economic growth is a top priority; and

WHEREAS, municipalities are the foundation of Wisconsin's economy and local leaders share the same goal of job creation and economic vitality;

WHEREAS, the state should focus its support and limited resources for local government on incorporated communities, which are the economic engines of the state as evidenced by the following:

- Wisconsin's metropolitan regions already account for 75% of the state's Gross Domestic Product.
- Wisconsin's cities and villages are home to 70 percent of the state's population, 87 percent of all manufacturing property, and 89 percent of all commercial property.
- Most of the small businesses created in Wisconsin get their start in cities and villages.
- Cities and villages are where nearly all technology based entrepreneurship is occurring in Wisconsin.
- Startups and other knowledge-based economic activity occur almost exclusively within cities and villages.

WHEREAS, to compete globally, Wisconsin needs to develop and maintain quality communities that can attract and retain talent and enterprise and spur job creation;

WHEREAS, for the state's economy to flourish, state and local leaders must work collaboratively;

WHEREAS, the League's *Partnership for Prosperity* legislative agenda recognizes that thriving municipalities are critical to a successful state economy and calls for a new state-local partnership to drive the state's economy forward and spur job creation by:

- 1) Helping communities continue to provide quality local services while holding the line on property taxes.
- 2) Investing in local transportation infrastructure.
- 3) Enhancing and promoting economic development best practices, like the expansion of the historic tax credit that was accomplished in the 2013-2014 legislative session.

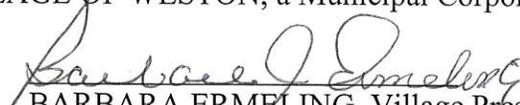
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Weston urges the Governor and the Legislature to work collaboratively with municipal leaders to accomplish the critical goals of job

creation and economic growth.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Village of Weston urges the Legislature and the Governor to enact the League's *Partnership for Prosperity* agenda (copy attached).

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTON, at a regular meeting thereof, this 9th day of the month of November, 2015.

VILLAGE OF WESTON, a Municipal Corporation of the State of Wisconsin.

By: 
BARBARA ERMELING, Village President

ATTEST:

By: 
SHERRY WEINKAUF, Village Clerk

By: 
DANIEL GUILD, Village Administrator

Vote: 6-0