

## RESOLUTION NO. 20-639

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**A RESOLUTION FOR EXCEEDING THE STATE IMPOSED LEVY FOR THE  
TOWN OF DELAFIELD**

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**WHEREAS**, since 2005 the State of Wisconsin has imposed limits on town, village, city and county property tax levies under Wis. Stat. sec. 66.0602; and

**WHEREAS**, Wis. Stat. sec. 66.0602 limits the increase in 2021 to the local property tax levy to no more than the greater of (a) 0% of last year's actual levy or (b) a percentage equal to the percentage change in equalized value due to net new construction less improvements removed; which for the Town of Delafield is 1.758 percent; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Delafield, Waukesha County believes it is in the Town's best interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above by a greater percentage than the expected limit of \$2,109,945.

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Delafield actual tax levy in 2019 (collected in 2020) was \$2,021,031; and state law limits the increase based on net new construction plus new debt service to \$88,914 for a total allowable 2020 (collected in 2021) Town tax levy of \$2,109,914.

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Delafield Town Board is significantly concerned about the service that the Town can offer its residents for roadway improvements, additional police protection and other general operational services, if the tax levy is not increased; and

**WHEREAS**, by increasing the Town tax levy by \$450,000, the Town of Delafield can add additional police protection services, maintaining high quality Town roads and general operational services of the Town; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Delafield, Waukesha County as follows:

The Town board hereby supports an increase in the Town tax levy for the 2021 fiscal year (levied in 2020) to exceed the state levy limit. The Town board intends that the levy increase be applied on an ongoing basis by including it in the base used to calculate the limit for the 2022 fiscal year as well, and ongoing thereafter. The purpose for the increased levy is roadway improvements, additional police protection services, and general operations services of the Town.

The Town board directs that a referendum be held on November 3, 2020 on the question: "Under state law, the increase in the levy of the Town of Delafield for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2021, is limited to 1.758%, which results in a levy of \$2,109,945. Shall the Town of Delafield be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2021, for the purpose of roadway improvements, additional police protection services and general operational services, by a total of 21.33%, which results in a levy of \$2,559,945, and on an ongoing basis, include the increase of \$450,000 for each fiscal year going forward?"

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Board of the Town of Delafield, Waukesha County, Wisconsin this 25th day of August, 2020.

TOWN OF DELAFIELD  
  
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Ron Troy, Town Chairman

ATTEST:  
  
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Dan Green, Administrator-Clerk/Treasurer