

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026- 030**

**RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO PROCEED WITH THE  
ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF AN ADDITIONAL TAX  
IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION**

The Board of Trustee of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, met in person in a Regular Meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026, at 2193 Frank Road, Columbus, Ohio. The Trustee marked below made a motion for the adoption of the following resolution:

**Trustee Fleshman**

**Trustee Fuller**

**Trustee Blevins**

**WHEREAS, WHEREAS**, on or around January 29, 2026, the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio (the "Township") passed a resolution declaring the necessity to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation pursuant to R.C. 5705.19(I) for a continuing period of time, for the purpose of providing fire protection services to the residents of the unincorporated and incorporated areas of the Township, and requesting that the Franklin County Auditor certify the current taxable value of the subdivision and the amount of revenue that would be produced by 15.90 mills.

**WHEREAS**, on February 2, 2026 the Franklin County Auditor certified to the Board that:

- (i) the current tax valuation of the entire territory of the Township is \$375,662,820
- (ii) the number of mills for \$1.00 of taxable value that is required to generate \$5,973,039 in revenue is 15.90 mills.
- (iii) the levy's rate, calculated using the rate described in R.C. 5705.03(B)(2)(d), expressed in dollars, rounded to the nearest dollar, for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, is \$557.
- (iv) an estimate of the levy's annual collection, rounded to the nearest one thousand dollars, which shall be calculated assuming that the amount of the tax list of the taxing authority remains throughout the life of the levy the same as the amount of the tax list for the current year, and if this is not determined, the estimated amount submitted by the auditor to the county budget commission, is \$5,973,039

**RESOLUTION**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Trustees of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio, two-thirds of all of the members elected thereto concurring, that:

**Section 1.** The Board desires to proceed with the submission of the question of an additional tax levy pursuant to R.C. 5705.19(I) for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances, buildings, or sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials therefor, or the establishment and maintenance of lines of fire alarm telegraph, or the payment of firefighting companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, emergency medical service, administrative, or communications personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any employer contributions required for such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, or the purchase of ambulance equipment, or the provision of ambulance, paramedic, or other emergency medical services operated by a fire department or firefighting company, or for the payment of other related costs, at the rate of 15.90 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to five hundred fifty-seven and 00/100 dollars (\$557) for each one hundred thousand dollars of valuation, to the electors of the Township.

**Section 2.** The additional tax levy will be for a continuing period of time.

**Section 3.** The sections of the Ohio Revised Code authorizing the submission of the question of the levy are Ohio Revised Code Sections 5705.03, 5705.19(I), 5705.191 and 5705.25.

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- Section 4.** The additional levy shall be placed upon the current year’s tax list, commencing 2026, for collection in 2027, if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.
- Section 5.** The territory where the tax is to be levied is upon the entire territory of the Township (both incorporated and unincorporated areas), all located within Franklin County, Ohio. The Township only has territory located within Franklin County.
- Section 6.** The question of such additional tax levy shall be submitted to the electors of the Township (both incorporated and unincorporated areas) at the primary election to be held on May 5, 2026.
- Section 7.** Nicole Randazzio, Administrative Assistant of the Township, is hereby directed to certify, not less than 90 days prior to the election, to the Board of Elections, Franklin County, Ohio, a copy of the resolution declaring it necessary to levy a tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation and a copy of this Resolution together with the certification of the Franklin County Auditor; and to notify the Board of Elections to cause notice of election on the question of levying the tax to be given as required by law.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code.


**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, this resolution shall be declared an emergency and take effect immediately upon adoption.

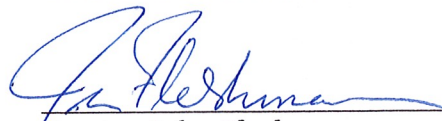
*The following trustee marked below seconded the motion:*


- Trustee Fleshman**                       **Trustee Fuller**                       **Trustee Blevins**

*Roll was called for the adoption of the resolution, and the vote was as follows:*

**Fleshman:**  YES/  NO                      **Fuller:**  YES/  NO                      **Blevins:**  YES/  NO

  
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Trustee Mike Blevins

  
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Trustee John Fleshman

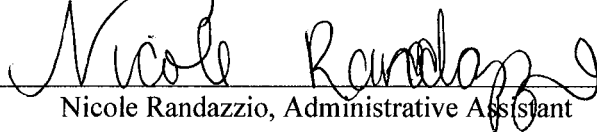
  
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Trustee Brenda Fuller

**CERTIFICATION**

The State of Ohio, Franklin County,

I, Nicole Randazzio, Administrative Assistant of Franklin Township, Franklin County, Ohio do hereby certify that the foregoing is taken and copied from the Record of the Proceedings of said Franklin Township; that the same has been compared by me with the Resolution on said Record and that it is a true and correct copy thereof and further that I am duly authorized to make this certification.

Witness my signature, this 3 day of February, 2026.

  
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Nicole Randazzio, Administrative Assistant