

RESOLUTION # 250

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE ABOLITION OF MAYOR'S COURTS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Council of the Incorporated Village of Hamersville, Brown County, Ohio, three-fourths or more of all members elected thereto concurring as follows:

SECTION I. WHEREAS the news media has reported that legislation to abolish mayor's courts will be considered by the State Legislature in 1970 as a result of recent court decisions denying appeals from decisions in mayor's courts and

WHEREAS there is a conflict in the lower and appellate court decisions as to whether an appeal may be taken from a decision in a mayor's court and such question has not been finally determined by the Supreme Court, and

WHEREAS mayor's courts are an integral part of the criminal justice system and

WHEREAS abolition of mayor's courts would cripple law enforcement in Ohio villages and small cities by requiring police officers to travel considerable distances to file affidavits and attend court hearing for minor traffic violations and other minor offenses while their communities are left without adequate police protection.

SECTION II. NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Village of ^{HAMERSVILLE} ~~Georgetown~~, Ohio that the members of the General Assembly are urged to pass legislation or provide for either an appeal for the mayor's court or for the defendant to sign a waiver of his right of appeal from the mayor's court or provide that mayor's courts are courts of record.

SECTION III. This resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency resolution necessary for the welfare of the inhabitants of Hamersville, Ohio, for the reason that there is a serious threat to abolish mayor's courts which would cause irreparable injury to the residents of the Village of Hamersville, Ohio. This resolution shall be in immediate effect upon its passage.

It is further ordered that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to our elected state representatives.

Passed this 2nd day of February, 1970.

ATTEST:

Margaret Wilson

Robert A. [Signature]
Mayor

I, Margaret Wilson, Clerk of the Village of Hamersville, Ohio, certify that the within is a true, correct and accurate copy of the original resolution adopted by the Council of the Village of Hamersville, Ohio on Monday, February 2, 1970.

Margaret Wilson
Margaret Wilson, Clerk of the
Village of Hamersville, Ohio