## RESOLUTION NO. 2020-06

A RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GRIFFITH, INDIANA REQUESTING A STATEMENT OF POSITION BY ROSS TOWNSHIP BOARD CONCERNING THE MERGER OF THE TOWN OF GRIFFITH INTO ROSS TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the Town of Griffith, Indiana, is an "eligible municipality" as defined under IC 36-1-1.5-2; and

**WHEREAS,** the Voters of the Town of Griffith submitted to the Clerk-Treasurer the required number of signatures advocating the removal of the Town of Griffith from Calumet Township to an adjacent township in accordance with IC 36-1-1.5-7; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Griffith has certified the aforementioned Voters' signatures and submitted the signatures to the Lake County Board of Elections and Voter Registration in accordance with IC 36-1-1.5-8(1); and

WHEREAS, the taxpayers of the Town of Griffith voted 3301 YES to 70 NO to transfer from Calumet Township during the Special Election as described in IC 36-1-1.5-8; and

WHEREAS, Ross Township was not considered as an eligible Township that would consider accepting Griffith into their Township, and

WHEREAS, Griffith is seeking legislation that would make Ross Township an eligible Township due to the fact the Town and the Township share a border approximately 1.5 miles long.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Indiana, that the Town Council formally requests the following:

- I. The Griffith Town Council requests a statement of position by Ross Township for an opinion if they would consider accepting the Town of Griffith into its Township if legislation allows.
- 2. The Town Council has based its decision to join Ross Township due to evidence of mutual financial savings and benefit to the town and the township.

**SO RESOLVED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, on this 21<sup>st</sup> Day of January 2020

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