

CITY OF VANDALIA

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. 11-R-50

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING CENTRALIZED
TAX COLLECTION IN THE STATE OF OHIO**

WHEREAS, Ohio Governor John Kasich and his staff are actively studying the feasibility, viability and wisdom of consolidating and centralizing the collection of municipal income tax and have suggested that the State take over the collection of municipal income taxes; and

WHEREAS, local income tax is the largest source of revenue for the City of Vandalia and for most municipalities in Ohio; and

WHEREAS, any disruption or interference with the current collection process will be harmful to financial operations; and

WHEREAS, with the reductions in the Local Government Fund, municipalities cannot afford another potential loss in revenue; and

WHEREAS, centralized collection would force the City to halt the excellent personalized service Vandalia provides in the preparation and filing of individual tax returns, answering questions, and resolution of delinquencies; and

WHEREAS, a centralized tax collection system is contradictory to the idea of smaller government and would circumvent local control; and

WHEREAS, businesses currently have the ability to file their taxes electronically from anywhere through Ohio Business Gateway.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VANDALIA, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. The Council of the City of Vandalia does hereby declare its strong opposition to any effort by the State of Ohio to take over the collection of municipal income taxes in Ohio.

Section 2. The Council of the City of Vandalia urges its state legislators to reject any amendment to pending bills and oppose the introduction of new legislation that proposes to transfer collection and/or control of municipal income taxes to the State of Ohio Department of Taxation or any third party central collection entity.

Passed by 3rd day of October, 2011.

APPROVED:

William M. Loy, Mayor

ATTEST:

Robert L. Anderson
Clerk of Council