RESOLUTION #18, 2006

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PETITION THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE FOR AN EXCESS LEVY APPEAL PURSUANT TO THE PROCEDURES PROVIDED IN IC 6-1.1-17-15 AND IC 6-1.1-18.5-12.

WHEREAS, the City of Valparaiso experienced a tax shortfall for the year 2005 in excess of \$300,000 which was not made up by appeal, and

WHEREAS, the City of Valparaiso has experienced five annexations in the past two years increasing the land mass of the city by twenty-three percent, and

WHEREAS, service to the annexed areas begins in the year 2007, and is included in the 2007 budget,

NOW BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Valparaiso that the Mayor is authorized to file the proper paperwork as required by law to petition the Indiana State Department of Local Government Finance for excess levy on the following grounds as allowed by State Statute: .

- A. Shortfall due to erroneous assessed value
- B. Increased costs due to annexation
- C. Increased Pension Costs

| Signed and approved this 28th of Valparaiso Common Council. | day of <u>luq</u> 2006 by the members of the City |
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