

**CITY OF HAMBURG, MINNESOTA  
RESOLUTION NUMBER 2018-05**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LOCAL DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY**

**WHEREAS**, local elected decision-makers are in the best position to determine what health, safety and welfare regulations best serve their constituents; and

**WHEREAS**, just like state legislative leaders, local elected officials are held accountable through Minnesota's robust elections process; and

**WHEREAS**, ordinances at the local level are enacted only after a comprehensive, legal and open process; and

**WHEREAS**, local units of government are required to publish notices about meetings where policies will be discussed and decisions will be made; and

**WHEREAS**, under the state's Open Meeting Law, public policy discussions and decisions must occur in meetings that are accessible to members of the public; and


**WHEREAS**, cities are often laboratories for determining public policy approaches to the challenges that face residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, preservation of local control in Minnesota has yielded statewide benefits such as the 2007 Freedom to Breathe Act, an amendment to the Minnesota Clean Indoor Air Act; and

**WHEREAS**, more than two dozen bills that restrict local decision-making have been introduced in the 2017-2018 biennium.

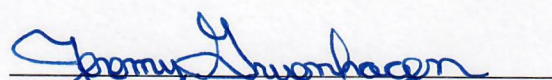
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HAMBURG** that this Council supports local decision-making authority and opposes legislation that removes the ability for local elected officials to respond to the needs of their businesses and constituents.

**I CERTIFY THAT** the above resolution (Resolution 2018-05) was adopted by the City Council of Hamburg, Carver County, Minnesota this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2018.



Chris Lund, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Jeremy Gruenhagen, City Clerk/Treasurer



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