DAUPHIN COUNTY TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-2

Adopted: September 19, 2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE DAUPHIN COUNTY
TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE
IN SUPPORT OF CURRENT EARNED INCOME TAX COLLECTIONS,
AS DEFINED BY ACT 32, AND IN OPPOSITION TO LEGISLATIVE
INITIATIVES TO MANDATE CENTRALIZED SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Dauphin County Tax Collection Committee (hereafter, TCC) has been authorized under Act 32 to oversee the collection and distribution of Earned Income Taxes (EIT) for all taxing authorities in Dauphin County; and

WHEREAS, the TCC is responsible to monitor, audit and evaluate each aspect of the process; and

WHEREAS, the TCC is authorized to establish the most cost-effective, efficient method to collect and distribute EIT revenue on behalf of all Dauphin County taxing authorities; and

WHEREAS, the TCC has experienced unparalleled revenue growth and efficiency since the adoption of PA Act 32 in 2009, and exemplary service and value working with its current collections contractor, and

WHEREAS, the TCC values its ability to choose its own contractor for daily/operational services, to ensure the highest degree of accuracy, efficiency and value for the taxpayers of Dauphin County; and

WHEREAS, the TCC is aware of an initiative (HR 291) which was endorsed by the PA House of Representatives to study and explore a proposal to consolidate these services on behalf of all counties in the Commonwealth of PA, specifically through an agency such as the PA Department of Revenue. According to HR 291, the PA Department of Revenue is to consult with "counties, municipalities and school districts," among others, as it undertakes its study of the proposed collection of EIT on a statewide basis. Moreover, HR 291 requires the PA Department of Revenue to "furnish a report of its findings and recommendations resulting from the study to the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Finance Committee of the Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Finance Committee of the House of Representatives no later than December 31, 2018[.]"

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the TCC hereby lends its support to maintain all current policies and procedures related to EIT collections/distributions as defined by Act 32. Additionally, we note that the PA Department of Revenue has not consulted with the TCC concerning the study it is soon to furnish to certain state legislators; nor, to the best of the TCC's knowledge, has the PA Department of Revenue consulted with other tax collection committees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the TCC opposes any legislative initiatives to consolidate EIT services through any central agency at the state level. Additionally, we encourage our TCC representatives to work with all local, state agencies and private contractors, to explore any and all options to improve or enhance current methodology for EIT collection/distribution and to avail themselves for discussion that might offer improvements.

Adopted this 19th day of September, 2018.

ATTEST

DAUPHIN COUNTY
TAX COLLECTION COMMITTEE

Bv:

August "Skip" Memmi, Chairperson

Kaye Thoma, Secretary

Date: September 19, 2018