

## RESOLUTION #23-01

## A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BERLIN, WISCONSIN TO EXCEED THE STATE IMPOSED LEVY LIMIT

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has imposed limits on town, village, city and county tax levies under Wis. Stat. sec. 66.0602; and

WHEREAS, the Wis. Stat. sec. 66.0602 limits the increase in fiscal year 2024 to the local property tax levy to no more than the greater of (a) 0% of last year's actual levy or (b) a percentage equal to the percentage change in equalized value due to net new construction less improvements removed; which for the City of Berlin is estimated to be 0.480%; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Berlin, Green Lake & Waushara Counties believes it is in the City's best interest to exceed the state levy limit as described above by a greater percentage than 0.480% for the purpose of maintaining police and fire department services and paying for critical street maintenance.

The Common Council of the City of Berlin directs that the question under state law, the increase in the levy of the City of Berlin for the tax to be imposed for the next fiscal year, 2024, is limited to 0.480%, which results in a levy of \$2,111,176, shall the City of Berlin be allowed to exceed this limit and increase the levy for the next fiscal year, 2024, for the purpose of maintaining police and fire department services and paying for critical street maintenance, by a total of 11.842%, which results in a levy of \$2,361,176, and on an ongoing basis, include the increase of \$250,000 for each fiscal year going forward shall be submitted to the electors in a special referendum election to be held on Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023.