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WHEREAS, for over ninety years the shared revenue program has been a key component of Wisconsin's state and local government fiscal relationship; and

WHEREAS, shared revenue payments have helped municipalities avoid relying exclusively on the property tax to pay for key local services and the infrastructure necessary for economic growth and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, a major goal of the shared revenue program is to provide funds to equalize local governments' revenue raising capacity by sending proportionately larger amounts of aid to fiscally weaker municipalities; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, the program has been subjected to increased legislative scrutiny and even threatened with extinction due to the state's fiscal difficulties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Dorchester urges the Governor and the Legislature to preserve the shared revenue program and fund it at least at 2006 levels.

ADOPTED, this 10th day of January, 2007.

VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER APPROVED:

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James Jantsch, Village President

Attest:

Judy Robida, Clerk-Treasurer

Adopted January 10, 2007