

House Committee on Taxation Hearing on House Bill 2002 Hearing Date – January 24, 2023

Written Testimony regarding HB 2002 on behalf of the City of Manhattan By Ron Fehr, City Manger

Good afternoon, Chair Smith, Vice Chair Bergkamp, and Honorable Members of the House Committee on Taxation.

The City of Manhattan <u>supports</u> House Bill 2002. HB 2002 continues the reimbursement from the taxpayer notification costs fund for printing and postage costs for county clerks for the revenue neutral rate beyond calendar year 2023.

- The City of Manhattan supports transparency measures that are not burdensome and costly to the taxpayer. The continuance of reimbursement from the State's taxpayer notification costs fund would alleviate taxing jurisdiction's reliance on property tax revenues to cover these notification costs.
- The City of Manhattan supports the State continuing this reimbursement permanently.

For all the reasons stated above, the City of Manhattan supports HB 2002 continuing the existence of the reimbursement from the taxpayer notification costs fund. Thank you for your time and consideration.