

**NEWS RELEASE
CITY OF MANSFIELD**



Tim Theaker, Mayor

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Subject: Mansfield, Ohio Removed from Fiscal Emergency

Mansfield, OH—Tim Theaker, Mayor of Mansfield, is proud to announce that the City has been officially removed from fiscal emergency. State Auditor Dave Yost presented the City with a certificate Monday in recognition of fiscal integrity, while warning of the possibility of returning to emergency status if we are not cautious.

Mayor Theaker would like to thank City Council, all elected officials, directors, department heads, all of the bargaining unit members and everyone on the commission for their help in getting the City out of fiscal emergency.

Over the past several years, city employees sacrificed and gave up a lot to make it possible to be removed from fiscal emergency. The City eliminated or left vacant several positions after employees quit or retired, and many workers took furlough days to assist during the financial crisis.

Mayor Theaker would like to thank Mansfield citizens for their most significant gesture of voting for a new quarter percent tax increase last November which will help keep Mansfield moving forward.

The City must be committed to be frugal in its spending and must continue to be fiscally responsible to the taxpayers and city employees.