CITY OF MONROE **ORDINANCE NO. 017/2016**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MONROE. WASHINGTON, FIXING THE AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE LEVIED BY THE CITY FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2017.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Monroe, Washington, has met and considered its budget for the calendar year 2017; and

WHEREAS, the City's actual levy amount from the previous year was \$2,047,723.73; and

WHEREAS, the population of this City is more than 10,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONROE. WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Property Tax Levy.</u> The regular property tax levy for the calendar year 2017 is hereby increased by \$484,312, which is a 23.685 percent increase from the previous year's levy. The levy amount is exclusive of additional revenue resulting from new construction, improvements to property, any increase in the value of state assessed property, and any annexations that have occurred and refunds made.

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect five (5) days after publication.

ADOPTED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Monroe, at a regular meeting held this 25th day of October, 2016.

First Reading: October 11, 2016 Final Reading: October 25, 3016 Published: November 1, 2016

Effective:

November 6, 2016

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

CITY OF MONROE, WASHINGTON:

Geoffrey Thomas/Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Elizabeth M. Smoot, MMC, City Clerk

J/Zachary Lell/City Attorney