

RESOLUTION NO. 2017- 010

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK, FLORIDA, URGING THE APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS TO THE 2017-2018 CONSTITUTION REVISION COMMISSION (CRC); SUPPORTING THE APPOINTMENT OF FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES PRESIDENT, BOCA RATON MAYOR, SUSAN HAYNIE; AND URGING THE CRC TO PROTECT MUNICIPAL HOME RULE AUTHORITY AND RESTRICT UNFUNDED STATE MANDATES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Article XI of the Florida Constitution establishes and describes the duties, powers, structure and function of the Constitution Revision Commission (CRC); and

WHEREAS, the CRC meets every twenty years, is next scheduled to meet in 2017 for only the third time in the state's history, and will review and recommend changes to Florida's Constitution that may appear on the 2018 general election ballot for the consideration of Florida's voters; and

WHEREAS, the CRC is comprised of 37 members: the Attorney General of Florida, fifteen members appointed by the Governor, nine members appointed by the Speaker of the House, nine members appointed by the Senate President, and three members appointed by the Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, the Florida League of Cities, Inc., was created in 1922 to work for the general improvement of its members and Florida's municipal governments; and

WHEREAS, the Florida League of Cities, Inc. believes local self-government is the keystone to American democracy and constitutional municipal home rule authority should be protected and expanded; and

WHEREAS, municipalities are the only optional form of government, created primarily to serve the needs and desires of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, municipalities are the governments closest to the people and are governed by citizens who have distinguished themselves as public servants; and

WHEREAS, the more than 2,000 municipal elected officials, representing over 400 cities that comprise the Florida League of Cities (FLC), recognize the CRC will weigh in on a variety of proposals that potentially affect municipal home rule authority and the ability of city officials to respond to the needs and conveniences of their citizens; and

WHEREAS, the FLC has found that it is necessary to have municipal representation on the CRC to ensure that local perspectives and concerns are adequately voiced before the CRC; and

WHEREAS, the City of Coconut Creek finds that it is necessary to have municipal representation on the CRC to ensure that local perspectives and concerns are adequately voiced before the CRC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That the foregoing “WHEREAS” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2: That the City of Coconut Creek respectfully requests Governor Rick Scott, Florida House Speaker-Designate Richard Corcoran, and Florida Senate President-Designate Joe Negrón to appoint municipal elected officials to serve on the 2017-2018 Constitution Revision Commission.

Section 3: That the City of Coconut Creek supports the appointment of Florida League of Cities President, Boca Raton Mayor Susan Haynie, as a member of the 2017-2018 Constitution Revision Commission.

Section 4: That the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek urges the Constitution Revision Commission to adopt proposals that protect municipal home rule authority and restrict unfunded state mandates.

Section 5: That a copy of this Resolution be provided to Governor Rick Scott, House Speaker-Designate Richard Corcoran, Senate President-Designate Joe Negron, the Florida League of Cities, Inc., and to the chair of the Constitution Revision Commission once one is designated.

Section 6: That if any clause, section, other part or application of this Resolution is held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, in part or in application, it shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion or applications of this Resolution.

Section 7: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted this 12th day of January, 2017.

Mikkie Belvedere, Mayor

Attest:

Leslie Wallace May, City Clerk

Belvedere	<u>Aye</u>
Rydell	<u>Aye</u>
Sarbone	<u>Aye</u>
Tooley	<u>Aye</u>
Welch	<u>Aye</u>