

RESOLUTION 2017-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA, URGING THE APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS TO THE 2017-18 CONSTITUTION REVISION COMMISSION; SUPPORTING THE PROTECTION OF MUNICIPAL HOME RULE; SUPPORTING THE POSITIONS OF THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC.; SUPPORTING THE APPOINTMENT OF FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES PRESIDENT, BOCA RATON MAYOR SUSAN HAYNIE; 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 20 years, is next scheduled to meet in 2017 for 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 Town of St. Lucie Village, Florida, is a member of the Florida League of Cities, Inc.; and

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

WHEREAS, the FLC 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 the citizens who have distinguished themselves as public servants; and

WHEREAS, the more than 2,000 municipal elected officials, representing the 412 cities that comprise the FLC and account for more than 10 million Floridians, 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 finds 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 Town of St. Lucie Village, Florida, supports the positions of the FLC relating to municipal representation on the CRC.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of St. Lucie Village, Florida as follows:

1. The Town of St. Lucie Village, Florida, respectfully requests that Governor Rick Scott, Florida House Speaker Richard Corcoran, and Florida Senate President Joe Negron appoint municipal elected officials to serve on the 2017-18 Constitution Revision Commission (CRC).
2. The Town of St. Lucie Village, Florida, supports the appointment of Florida League of Cities President, Boca Raton Mayor Susan Haynie, as a member of the 2017-18 CRC.
3. The Town of St. Lucie Village, Florida, urges the CRC to adopt proposals that protect municipal home rule authority and restrict unfunded state mandates.
4. A copy of this Resolution shall be provided to Governor Rick Scott, Florida House Speaker Richard Corcoran, and Florida Senate President Joe Negron, and the Chair of the CRC (once designated).
5. This resolution shall become effective upon its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of St.

Lucie Village on this 17th day of January, 2017.



APPROVED:
BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF
ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA

By: William G. Thiess
William G. Thiess, Mayor

ATTESTED:

By: Diane C. Orme
Diane C. Orme, Clerk

I, DIANE C. ORME, Clerk of the TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA, do hereby certify that this is a true and accurate copy of Resolution 2017-1 which was duly introduced, read and adopted at the meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA, held this 17th day of January, 2017.

Diane C. Orme
DIANE C. ORME, CLERK