

RESOLUTION NO. 17 - 2416

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA URGING THE APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS TO THE 2017-18 FLORIDA 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 TO THE 2017-18 CONSTITUTION REVISION COMMISSION; DIRECTING THE TOWN CLERK TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE GOVERNOR, THE FLORIDA SENATE PRESIDENT, THE FLORIDA HOUSE SPEAKER, THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY STATE LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, THE FLORIDA SECRETARY OF STATE, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC.; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

**WHEREAS**, the CRC, which 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 Surfside 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, the 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**, 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 municipal officials to respond to the needs and conveniences of their citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Surfside supports the positions of the FLC relating to municipal representation on the CRC; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Surfside Commission supports the appointment of Florida League of Cities President, Boca Raton Mayor Susan Haynie, as a member of the 2017-18 Constitution Revision Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Surfside finds it is necessary and in the best interest of the Town 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 TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Recitals Adopted.** That each of the above stated recitals are hereby adopted, confirmed, and incorporated herein.

**Section 2. Urging by the Town of Surfside Commission to appoint municipal elected officials to serve on the 2017-18 Florida Constitution Revision Commission.** The Town of Surfside Commission urges Governor Rick Scott, Florida House Speaker Richard Corcoran and Florida Senate President Joe Negron to appoint municipal elected officials to serve on the 2017-18 Constitution Revision Commission.

**Section 3. Urging by the Town of Surfside Commission to protect municipal home rule authority.** The Town of Surfside Commission urges the Constitution Revision Commission to adopt proposals that protect municipal home rule authority and restrict unfunded state mandates.

**Section 4. Support by the Town of Surfside Commission of the appointment of Mayor Susan Haynie as a member of the 2017-18 CRC.** The Town of Surfside Commission supports the appointment of Florida League of Cities President, Boca Raton Mayor Susan Haynie, as a member of the 2017-18 Constitution Revision Commission.

**Section 5. Authorization and Implementation.** The Town Manager and/or his designee are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all action necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

**Section 6. Direction to the Town Clerk.** The Town Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Governor, the Florida Senate President, the Florida House Speaker, the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation, the Florida Secretary of State and the Executive Director of the Florida Department of Revenue and the Florida League of Cities, Inc.

**Section 7. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2017.

Motion by Commissioner Karukin.

Second by Commissioner Paul.

**FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION**

Commissioner Daniel Gielchinsky	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Michael Karukin	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Tina Paul	<u>yes</u>
Vice Mayor Barry Cohen	<u>yes</u>
Mayor Daniel Dietch	<u>yes</u>

**ATTEST:**

  
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Sandra Novoa, MMC, Town Clerk

  
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Daniel Dietch, Mayor

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE ONLY:**

  
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Linda Miller, Town Attorney