AMENDMENT 1 RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY/TOWN/VILLAGE OF ______________
CONCERNING AMENDMENT 1 TO THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION, WHICH,
IF ADOPTED, WOULD CREATE ADDITIONAL INEQUITIES IN FLORIDA’S
TAX SYSTEM BY GRANTING CERTAIN TAX BREAKS TO SOME TAXPAYERS
AT THE EXPENSE OF OTHER TAXPAYERS.

WHEREAS, a proposed constitutional amendment sponsored by the Florida
Legislature will be placed on the 2018 general election ballot as “Amendment 1”; and

WHEREAS, this proposed constitutional change exempts the assessed valuation of
homestead property greater than $100,000 and up to $125,000 for all levies other than
school district levies; and

WHEREAS, Amendment 1 is expected to cost $644.7 million per year—resulting in
either service reductions or tax hikes; and

WHEREAS, local communities may be forced to increase local property tax rates to
offset revenue reductions; and

WHEREAS, changing local property taxes should be done locally, not through a
constitutional amendment; and

WHEREAS, instead of fixing Florida’s complicated tax system, Amendment 1 makes
it more complicated and less fair; and

WHEREAS, Florida’s tax system should work for all homeowners, not just a few;
and

WHEREAS, most of Amendment 1’s benefits go to only a handful of homeowners;
and

WHEREAS, Amendment 1 exposes local businesses to a much higher tax burden;
and

WHEREAS, this one-size-fits-all scheme is made to look like a tax cut but it is really
a tax shift that will further disenchant millions of already-skeptical Florida voters.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY/TOWN/VILLAGE OF

Section 1. That the City/Town/Village of _____________________ will evaluate the impact Amendment 1 may have on its property taxes.

Section 2. That the City/Town/Village of _____________________ urges its residents to carefully consider the potential adverse consequences of Amendment 1 before voting in the November 2018 general election.

Section 3. That a copy of this resolution be provided to the Florida League of Cities, Inc. and other interested parties.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City/Town/Village of _________, Florida, this ______ day of _______ 2018.