



# City of North Port

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Honorable Ron DeSantis  
State of Florida  
The Capitol  
400 S. Monroe St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Veto Request for CS/HB 403 Home-Based Businesses

Dear Governor DeSantis:

The City of North Port's leaders have successfully balanced the desire to operate a home-based business with the potential impacts on residential neighborhoods while protecting residential property values.

CS/HB 403 would impact our ability to have common sense protections in place to protect the health, safety and welfare of our citizens. If CS/HB 403 is signed into law, there is a significant preemption of Home Rule powers. This bill would create several potential problems and may void provisions of our City's existing residential regulations relating to noise, parking, licensing, signage, inspections, storage of materials, odors, and fumes. If passed, this bill would also negatively impact residents' peaceful enjoyment of their homes.

For these reasons, the City of North Port requests you veto CS/HB 403.

Thank you for your leadership and your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Gisele "Jill" E. Luke, Mayor

Jason Yarborough, Interim City Manager

Cc: Florida League of Cities  
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Senator Joe Gruters  
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