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Resolution: Supporting Municipal Charter Changes that do not directly challenge the Vermont State Constitution

Whereas, the City of Winooski, Vermont is organized under the Constitution of the State of Vermont, as established on July 9, 1793 and amended through December 14, 2010; and

Whereas, the City of Winooski was established and organized under Vermont Statutes with a Municipal Charter through the Acts of 1921; and

Whereas, the City of Winooski has, from time to time, required changes to our Municipal Charter, to ensure the governance of our City is best meeting the needs of the community; and

Whereas, the voters of Winooski are required to approve, by majority vote, all proposed changes to the City of Winooski presented by a Charter Review Committee; and

Whereas, with the approval of the voters of the City of Winooski, proposed changes are presented to the Vermont General Assembly for consideration; and

Whereas, proposed City Charter changes put forth by the voters of Winooski are subject to final approval by the Vermont General Assembly; and

Whereas, Winooski, Vermont generally agrees with the right of municipalities to put forth Charter changes supported by the voters to address specific needs of Vermont's diverse range of communities on a local level; and

Whereas, Winooski, Vermont recognizes the need and the value to all Vermont residents of laws that are applicable statewide that govern behavior and are enforceable in each Vermont community; and

Whereas, Winooski, Vermont supports the rights of voters in municipalities governed by Charters to put forth proposed changes that address issues related to issues such as public health, civic participation, and protection of their residents that are not expressly granted under the Vermont State Constitution as powers of the State; and

Now, Therefore, the City of Winooski does hereby proclaim support for the City of Burlington, and any other municipality, and their voters, to adopt changes that do not directly challenge the Constitution of the State of Vermont;

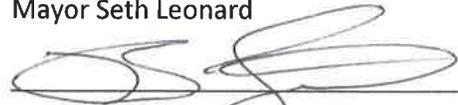
And encourage other municipalities in the State of Vermont to support efforts to ensure the will of voters in supporting Charter changes, which impact the way their municipalities express their granted powers and authorities, so long as the expression does not challenge the Constitution of the State of Vermont.

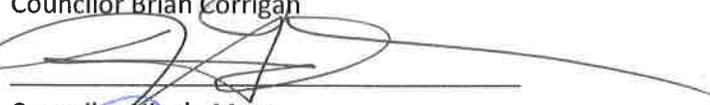
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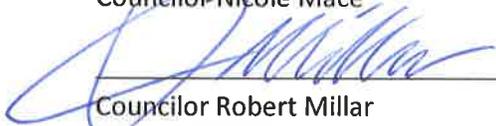
Affirmative Vote:



Mayor Seth Leonard



Councilor Brian Corrigan

Councilor Nicole Mace

Councilor Robert Millar

Councilor Brian Sweeney

Negative Vote:

Mayor Seth Leonard

Councilor Brian Corrigan

Councilor Nicole Mace

Councilor Robert Millar

Councilor Brian Sweeney

Adopted on: February 1, 2016

Rejected on: _____

ATTEST: Carol J. Bennett