

A RESOLUTION URGING THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY COUNCIL AND ST. LOUIS BOARD OF ALDERMEN TO OPPOSE ANY AND ALL LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING A STATEWIDE VOTE REGARDING OR MANDATING A CHANGE IN THE GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE OF ST. LOUIS CITY AND ST. LOUIS COUNTY AND THE MUNICIPALITIES THEREIN.

WHEREAS, certain legislators and other individuals seek to impose significant and potentially damaging changes to the governmental structure of St. Louis City and St. Louis County, including the municipalities in the County;

WHEREAS, such persons believe that their scheme would not be favorably received by the voters of the City or County;

WHEREAS, the Missouri Constitution outlines a process for the residents of the City and County to vote on their governmental structure through the establishment of a Board of Freeholders by petition or appointment by the County Executive, Mayor of St. Louis, and Governor of Missouri;

WHEREAS, the officials of the member municipalities of the Municipal League of Metro St. Louis believe that all discussions and votes on any plans to change their local government structure should be held only by residents of the City and County;

WHEREAS, the St. Louis County Council, which governs the largest County in the state of Missouri with nearly one million residents, and the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis should have a major voice in all discussions of regional governance; and

WHEREAS, the governing bodies of all municipalities in St. Louis County should also have significant involvement in any such discussions to advance the best interests of their residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Lakeshire hereby opposes any statewide vote or legislative mandate on governmental reorganization regarding the City of St. Louis and St. Louis County and the municipalities therein;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Lakeshire urges the St. Louis County Council, and the St. Louis Board of Aldermen, on behalf of their respective residents, to pass a similar resolution opposing a statewide vote or legislative mandate; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Lakeshire recommends local discussions and local votes on any reorganization or consolidation plan that may be developed through such discussions.

ADOPTED this 13th day of November, 2017.

Timothy A. Seher
Mayor Timothy Seher

Attest
S. J. Hiltmann
City Clerk
I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 111317 was enacted on the 13th day of November, 2017, by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Lakeshire, St. Louis County, Missouri.