

BROWARD COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES

RESOLUTION NO. 2015- B-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BROWARD COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES REQUESTING THE BROWARD COUNTY COMMISSION APPROVE AN ORDINANCE THAT WOULD PROVIDE FOR ALTERNATIVE ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS IN THE EVENT AN INDIVIDUAL IS CHARGED WITH POSSESSION OF TWENTY (20) GRAMS OR LESS OF CANNABIS OTHER THAN A CHARGE OF A MIDEMEANOR; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Broward County, Florida is proposing an ordinance pertaining to possession of twenty (20) grams or less of cannabis that would provide alternative enforcement options rather than charging the individual with a misdemeanor for possession of twenty (20) grams or less of cannabis; and

WHEREAS, being charged with a misdemeanor for the possession of twenty (20) grams or less of cannabis, even if found to be not guilty, may result in any individual suffering serious repercussions in retaining/obtaining work as well as securing some professional licensing; and

WHEREAS, the recent State of Florida ballot item to legalize medical marijuana was supported by 68% of participating Broward County voters, indicating support for new alternatives to regulation of this substance; and

WHEREAS, the ordinance, if approved by the County Commission, shall be enforceable throughout Broward County, at the County's expense, except within the boundaries of any municipality that enacts a conflicting ordinance or has formally elected not to be subject to the provisions of the County ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Broward League of Cities hereby resolves as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing "Whereas clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

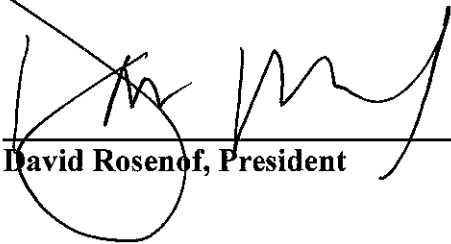
Section 2. The Broward County League of Cities encourages its member municipalities to support Broward County's ordinance that would provide alternatives to existing penalties for misdemeanor charges for possession of twenty (20) grams or less of cannabis.

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BROWARD COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES ON THIS 12th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015.

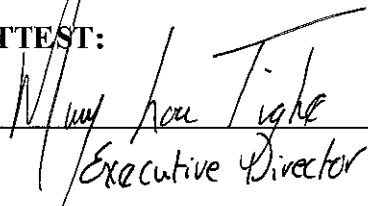
**BROWARD COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

By:



David Rosenof, President

ATTEST:



Mary Ann Tighe
Executive Director