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**AN INFORMAL RESOLUTION**

Supporting an Effort to Amend the United States Constitution to Abolish Corporate Personhood And Money As Speech.

WHEREAS, Free and fair elections are essential to democracy and effective self-governance; and,

WHEREAS, Corporations are entirely human-made legal entities created by express permission of We The People and our government; and,

WHEREAS, Corporations can exist in perpetuity, can exist simultaneously in many nations at once, and exist solely through the legal charter imposed by the government of We The People; and,

WHEREAS, Corporations are not mentioned in the Constitution, and The People have never granted constitutional rights to corporations, nor have We decreed that corporations have authority that exceeds the authority of We The People of the United States; and,

WHEREAS, The 2010 Citizens United v. the Federal Election Commission Supreme Court decision that rolled back the legal limits on spending in the electoral process creates an unequal playing field and allows unlimited spending by wealthy individuals, corporations and other entities to influence elections, candidate selection, and policy decisions; and,

WHEREAS, The judicial interpretation to construe spending money in political campaigns as speech is contrary to the notion of one person, one vote and allows those with the most money to have an unfair advantage in a political system that should be about ensuring that all citizens have equal access to the political process and to influencing the outcome of elections; now therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DAYTON:**

SECTION 1: That the City of Dayton supports an Amendment to the United States Constitution to Abolish Corporate Personhood and the doctrine of Money as Speech and return our democracy, our elections, and our communities to America’s human persons and to thus claim our sovereign right to governance.

ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION....., 2015

SIGNED BY THE MAYOR....., 2015

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MAYOR, CITY OF DAYTON, OHIO

ATTEST:

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Clerk of Commission

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney