CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS
CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 3531

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE “MOVE TO AMEND” CAMPAIGN BY JOINING
WITH OTHER COMMUNITIES AROUND THE COUNTRY TO DEFEND DEMOCRACY
BY AMENDING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO ENSURE ONLY HUMAN BEINGS,
NOT CORPORATIONS, HAVE CONSTITUTIONALLY PROTECTED FREE SPEECH RIGHTS

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court has asserted by a five-to-four majority that
corporations have the same free speech rights as human beings; and

WHEREAS, United States citizens who are human beings have and should continue to
be valued more and enjoy greater inalienable and constitutional free speech rights than
corporations, business associations or unions; and

WHEREAS, money is not speech and should be able to be constitutionally regulated as
regarding political contributions and its use in political campaigns by candidates or other
entitles attempting to influence political decisions or votes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF,

ARKANSAS:

Section 1. That the city council of the City of Pine Bluff, Arkansas hereby expresses its
support of the national “Move to Amend” campaign to defend democracy by amending the
United States Constitution to ensure that only human beings, not corporations or other
associations, have constitutionally protected free speech rights and to reject the premise that
money is “speech.”

Section 2. That the city council of the City of Pine Bluff, Arkansas hereby requests that
Arkansas legislators on the State and Federal level also support an appropriate United States
Constitutional Amendment to ensure the First Amendment’s Free Speech rights protect real people, rather than corporations, associations, unions or other entities.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 1 DAY OF October, 2012.

ATTEST: ________________________  APPROVED: ________________________

CITY CLERK            MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM: ________________________  SPONSOR: ________________________

CITY ATTORNEY            Anne Delcomb (g)