VILLAGE OF WESTON WISCONSIN Resolution No. 2018-042

A Resolution, Supporting Submission of a Referendum to the Electors at the November 6th, 2018 Election – Related to the State of Wisconsin Calling for a U.S. Constitutional Amendment

Whereas, the Village of Weston has received and considered a request by Weston United to Amend to place an advisory referendum on the ballot for the November 6, 2018 election – so that the electors may express their views regarding constitutional rights of non-human entities and the non-equivalence of money and speech; and

Whereas, the Village Board is interested in enhancing democracy by giving the citizens of the village a voice, advising whether the State of Wisconsin should call for a U.S. Constitutional amendment related to the above-mentioned concerns, has consented to place the referenda on the ballot.

Therefore, the Village Clerk is hereby directed to place the following advisory referenda question on the ballot for the November 6th, 2018 election held in the Village of Weston:

Shall the Village of Weston adopt the following resolution?

Resolved, that "We the People" of the Village of Weston, seek to reclaim democracy from the expansion of corporate personhood rights and the corrupting influence of unlimited political contributions and spending. We stand with communities across the country to support passage of an amendment to the United States Constitution stating:

- 1. Only human beings are endowed with constitutional rights not corporations, unions, non-profits or other artificial entities, and
- 2. Money is not speech, and therefore limiting political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting speech.

A "Yes" vote indicates you support a Constitutional Amendment, while a "No" vote indicates you oppose an Amendment.

YES

NO O

(End ballot language)

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF WESTON, at a regular meeting held the 20th day of August 2018.

VILLAGE OF WESTON, a Municipal Corporation of the State of Wisconsin

Ву:

Barbara Ermeling, Village President

ATTEST

Sherry Wejnkauf, Village Clerk