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Please place the following on our next agenda.

Agenda items:

5-10 minute update by staff on the proposed **Done With the Gun** program

Action:

Adoption by the Council of the program **Done With the Gun**

Florida League of Cities is requesting member municipalities pass a Resolution in recognition of 50 Years of Home Rule in Florida. It is requested that our City Council adopt a similar resolution and send a copy to the Florida League of Cities.

See attached

Action:

Adopt a similar resolution and send a copy to the Florida League of Cities

Thank you

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RESOLUTION 2018-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LONGBOAT KEY, FLORIDA, HONORING FIFTY YEARS OF MUNICIPAL HOME RULE IN THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Florida's voters placed Municipal Home Rule powers into the Florida Constitution on November 5, 1968, during the regular elections as an amendment to Article VIII; and

WHEREAS, this power has enabled each city, town, and village across the Sunshine State to consider, adopt, revise, or remove its own laws without the need to seek legislative permission from the state and has further served as the foundation upon which every municipality builds its governmental structure; and

WHEREAS, the political climate within the Florida Legislature has recently included many attacks on these powers; and

WHEREAS, grassroots measures calling such actions wrong and declaring that local decisions be made at the local level by local officials must continue so that all legislators clearly understand Florida's Home Rule as a constitutional power and one upheld in state statutes; and

WHEREAS, a 50th anniversary is a fitting time for all municipalities to engage their respective citizens to educate them about the Florida Constitution and local laws, so that all Floridians may continue to receive the many benefits of Home Rule.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF LONGBOAT KEY, THAT:

SECTION 1. The above Whereas clauses are hereby incorporated, ratified, and confirmed as true and correct.

SECTION 2. This anniversary presents a tremendous opportunity to educate all citizens about Florida's Constitution, municipal government, and Home Rule authority.

SECTION 3. The Town of Longboat Key will actively challenge all efforts to reduce or erode this right and further employ all efforts to ensure state and federal government partners understand that a one-size-fits-all approach to governance is not in the interests of Florida citizens.

SECTION 4. The tradition of local decision-making in Florida is essential to protect, as it provides each municipality the ability to preserve and enhance the myriad characteristics that make each one uniquely special and that maintains its quality of life.

SECTION 5. The Town of Longboat Key will provide support for Home Rule and for public discussion on the issue.

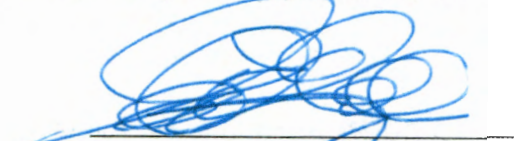
SECTION 6. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

9th PASSED at a meeting of the Town Commission of Longboat Key, Florida, on the
day of July, 2018.

ATTEST:



Trish Shinkle, Town Clerk


George L. Spoll, Mayor