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Dear Mayor Holic & Venice City Council Members:

I am writing you to show my support for Venice becoming a Certified Local Government City.

There are many reasons why Venice should become a Certified Local Government city; however here are TWO.

1.) Advice Availability: Just as Venice Main Street looks to Florida Main Street on the state level for free advice, ideas & workshops, a Certified Local Government (CLG) city or county may look to the Certified Local Government Co-ordinator, located within the Bureau of Historic Preservation, within the Florida Dept. of State for free advice, ideas & training workshops.

2.) Grant Availablility to CLG cities & counties. At least 10 per cent of Florida's Annual Historic Preservation Fund Grant will be reserved for Certified Local Governments. Can be used for survey, planning and community education activities.

Sincerely,

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