Resolution in Support of Congressional Investigation regarding
Impeachment of President Donald J. Trump

WHEREAS, the Foreign Emoluments Clause of the United States Constitution
provides that “no Person holding any Office of Profit or Trust under [the United
States], shall, without the Consent of the Congress, accept of any present,
Emolument, Office, or Title, of any kind whatever, from any King, Prince, or foreign
State,”

WHEREAS, the Domestic Emoluments Clause of the United States Constitution
provides that, besides the fixed salary for his four-year term, the President “shall
not receive within that Period any other Emolument from the United States, or any
of them,”

WHEREAS, the term “emoluments” includes a broad range of financial benefits,
including but not limited to monetary payments, purchase of goods and services
even for fair market value, subsidies, tax breaks, extensions of credit, and favorable
regulatory treatment,

WHEREAS, Donald J. Trump, the President of the United States, owns various
business interests and receives various streams of income from all over the world,

WHEREAS, many of these businesses receive, and streams of income include,
emoluments from foreign governments, states of the United States, or the United
States itself,

WHEREAS, leading constitutional scholars and government ethics experts warned
Donald J. Trump shortly after the November 2016 election that, unless he fully
divested his businesses and invested the money in conflict-free assets or a blind
trust, he would violate the Constitution from the moment he took office,

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2017, nine days before his inauguration, Donald J.
Trump announced a plan that would, if carried out, remove him from day-to-day
operations of his businesses, but not eliminate any of the ongoing flow of
emoluments from foreign governments, state governments, or the United States
government,

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2017, Donald J. Trump took the oath of office and
became President of the United States,

WHEREAS, from the moment he took office, President Trump was in violation of
the Foreign Emoluments Clause and the Domestic Emoluments Clause of the
United States Constitution,
WHEREAS, these violations undermine the integrity of the Presidency, corruptly advance the personal wealth of the President, and violate the public trust,

WHEREAS, our democracy is premised on the bedrock principle that no one is above the law, not even the President of the United States,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE [CITY/TOWN] RESOLVES to call upon the United States House of Representatives to support a resolution authorizing and directing the House Committee on the Judiciary to investigate whether sufficient grounds exist for the impeachment of Donald J. Trump, President of the United States, including but not limited to the violations listed herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted officially to the Member[s] of the United States House of Representatives that represent[s] the city, namely, the Honorable _________________; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted officially to certain other cities and communities in this state, namely, ___________.

Approved and enacted this day: ________