

RESOLUTION NO. 91-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD OPPOSING THE FURTHER STUDY OF THE CONCEPT OF CHARTER GOVERNMENT BY THE CHARTER STUDY COMMISSION AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BAY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Bay County, Florida, has appointed a Charter Study Commission which has diligently examined the concept of charter government for Bay County; and

WHEREAS, various elected city officials, elected constitutional officers, and numerous county employees have appeared before the Charter Study Commission to assist in its inquiry; and

WHEREAS, the charter study process has caused the cities and the constitutional officers to consider their relationships and the role of local government in this community, which has been good, but no consensus has developed in support of charter government; in fact, it appears that a majority of people oppose a new form of government for Bay County; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and statutes of the State of Florida provide ample mechanisms for the county and the various municipalities to cooperate in specific instances where the public will best be served by eliminating duplication of effort; and

WHEREAS, a healthy and beneficial balance of power now exists between Bay County and the various municipalities and constitutional officers, which balance fosters cooperation between all sides without sacrificing elected representation of various viewpoints; and

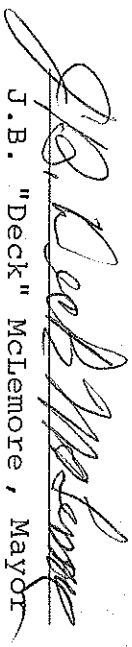
WHEREAS, the spirit of cooperation between local governments and constitutional officers in Bay County, Florida, has never been greater, and while tension may occasionally exist between the various local governmental entities, public debate and resolution of such tension promotes the public good and provides representation for competing view points; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Bay County, Florida, currently has ample authority to carry on county government in cooperation with local governmental entities and there is no need to charter a new county government,

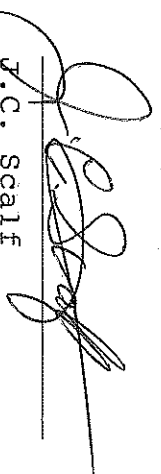
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD

that further study of charter government is not necessary.

ADOPTED this 7 day of JANUARY, 1991.

  
J.B. "Deck" McLemore, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
J.C. Scalf  
city clerk