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REPEAL OF HOUSE BILL #2

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2016, the North Carolina General Assembly passed and Governor Pat McCrory signed into law, House Bill #2, which adversely affects municipal governance; and

WHEREAS, HB #2 severely limits or eliminates the rights of citizens to bring civil actions for a claim of discrimination in employment or public accommodations; and

WHEREAS, HB #2 pre-empts the rights of local governments from offering these protections to their residents; and

WHEREAS, HB #2 pre-empts the rights of local government from regulating places of public accommodation, reserving such regulatory authority for state government; and

WHEREAS, HB #2 prohibits local governments from providing protection against discrimination in employment practices and related conditions as part of local contracts with vendors; and

WHEREAS, HB #2 prohibits local governments from establishing a local minimum wage for private-sector employers; and

WHEREAS, the Pittsboro Town Board of Commissioners agrees with the North Carolina League of Municipalities' that "Placing limits on local decision-making authority ultimately is a limit on the political power of local residents"; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pittsboro is a community dedicated to the principles of equality, nondiscrimination, and full inclusion and engagement by any resident, visitor or guest in the civil rights, benefits, and privileges of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pittsboro is a municipal corporation of the State of North Carolina enabled and entrusted by the General Statutes of North Carolina to preside over the health, safety and welfare of its residents, and local control over its own affairs should not be superseded by the General Assembly;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

SECTION 1. The Pittsboro Town Board of Commissioners reaffirms its support for protecting and advancing its citizens' rights and political power and urge the repeal of House Bill #2, otherwise known as Session Law #2016-3, this the 11th day of April, 2016.

SECTION 2. The Pittsboro Town Board of Commissioners asks the Town Clerk to send copies of this resolution to Governor Pat McCrory, Speaker Tim Moore, President Pro Tem Phil Berger, and members of the Chatham County delegation to the General Assembly.



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