



A Pledge in Support of the National League of Cities’ Cities Vote Initiative for Elections

WHEREAS, voting is a constitutionally protected right; and,

WHEREAS, participation in free and fair elections is fundamental to democracy; and,

WHEREAS, city leaders play a supportive role in creating safe, fair, and accessible options to allow every eligible voter to participate in elections; and,

WHEREAS, (Name of Municipality) is home to (number of eligible voters) of those Americans and is one of the 19,000 municipalities represented by the National League of Cities (NLC); and,

WHEREAS, (Name of Municipality) is opposed to any federal, state, and local laws that disenfranchise individuals from exercising their right to vote; and,

WHEREAS, (Name of Municipality) understands that a positive culture of civic engagement occurs both during and outside of national election years, and that valuable opportunities exist for city leaders to use their platforms to support residents engage as voters, at the federal, state, or local level; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, (Name of Municipality) commits to supporting year-round initiatives to broaden access to voter registration, and to participation in every election; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, (Name of Municipality) commits to the role of advocate, implementor, and educator of civic engagement activities; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, (Name of Municipality) commits to promoting racial equity in civic participation and reducing racial disparities by completing the National League of Cities Racial Equity and Leadership (REAL) [100 Training](#); and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that (Name of Municipality) commits to creatively supporting full participation in civic engagement of all residents through inclusive year-round voter education activities.