

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Mayor and City Council Members  
**FROM:** Debbie Renner, City Clerk  
**DATE:** June 23, 2009  
**SUBJECT:** Florida League of Cities Initiative

JUN 16 2009



---

### PURPOSE

To express support for the Florida League of Cities (FLC) civics initiative.

### BACKGROUND

The FLC is undertaking a civics initiative to educate and inform the citizens of the services cities provide. The League is requesting that cities around the State adopt a resolution recognizing the League's "Building Citizenship in the Community: Bank to Basics" initiative and pledging support for the statewide effort.

Attached is a list of cities adopting the resolution as of March 17, 2009.

### RECOMMENDATION

Adoption of Resolution No. 548-09 is recommended if you wish to formalize your support for this FLC initiative.

**RESOLUTION NO. 548-09**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE CITY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE "BUILDING CITIZENSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY: BACK TO BASICS" INITIATIVE OF THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC., AND PLEDGING SUPPORT FOR THIS STATEWIDE EFFORT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

---

**WHEREAS**, municipal government is the government closest to most citizens, with tremendous daily impact upon its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, city government is administered for and by its citizens and is dependent upon public commitment to, and understanding of, its many responsibilities, and city government officials and employees share the responsibility to pass along their understanding of public services and their benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida's citizenry receives public services from state, county, school district and other government levels educating Florida's citizens of all ages as to the structure and function of all the levels of government, therefore, it is critically important that citizens be educated on how to be wise consumers of such services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida League of Cities and its member cities have joined together to teach students and all citizens about municipal government through a variety of different projects, resources and information; and

**WHEREAS**, this initiative will make resources available to cities and their citizens to utilize in furthering their goals for civic education.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE CITY, FLORIDA:**

**SECTION 1.** That the City of Orange City does hereby encourage all citizens, city government officials and employees to utilize the opportunities and resources available through this initiative.

**SECTION 2.** That the City of Orange City does encourage educational partnerships between city government and schools, as well as civic groups and other organizations.

**SECTION 3.** That the City of Orange City does support and encourage all city governments to actively promote the "Building Citizenship in the Community: Back to Basics" initiative.

**SECTION 4.** That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council of the City of Orange City, Florida.

**ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS:**

Jim Mahoney \_\_\_\_\_

Donald C. Sherrill \_\_\_\_\_

R. Paul Rasch \_\_\_\_\_

Tom Abraham \_\_\_\_\_

Tom Laputka \_\_\_\_\_

Jeff H. Allebach, Vice Mayor \_\_\_\_\_

Harley Strickland, Mayor \_\_\_\_\_

**ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.**

ATTEST:

AUTHENTICATED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deborah J. Renner, CMC, City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Harley Strickland, Mayor

This Resolution approved  
as to form and legal sufficiency:

\_\_\_\_\_  
W. E. Reischmann, City Attorney