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Resolution 2009-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ST LEO FLORIDA SUPPORTING AN AMENDMENT TO FLORIDA'S CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO OPERATE UNDER THE FLORIDA IN THE SUNSHINE LAWS

WHEREAS, Florida's Government-in-the Sunshine Law enacted in 1967 established a right of access to most meetings of boards, commissions and other governing bodies of state and local governmental agencies; and

WHEREAS, Governor Crist proclaimed March 16-22, 2008, as Sunshine Week for the citizens of the State of Florida and stated "The role of Florida's government is to serve the people of Florida and open government gives the people the tools they need to hold their elected officials accountable; and

WHEREAS, on June 19, 2007, Governor Charlie Crist issued Executive Order 01-0107, creating the Commission on Open Government Reform to review, evaluate, and issue recommendations regarding Florida's public records and public meeting laws; and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Open Government will compile its findings and present a final report to the Governor, the Senate President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 31, 2008 to include specific recommendations including proposed legislation, rule changes and modifications, if any, to Article I, Section 24, of the Florida Constitution; and

WHEREAS, our counties and municipalities live by this law and insure that government business is conducted in the open for all people to see; and

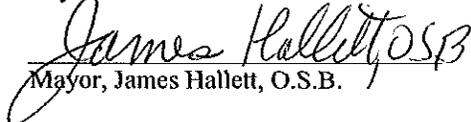
WHEREAS, all Florida government is better served when all elected officials live in the Sunshine;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF ST. LEO, FLORIDA,

Section 1. That the Town of St. Leo, Florida urges the commission on Open Government propose and governor Crist support a constitutional amendment that requires state legislators to operate under the same Sunshine Laws under which city officials operate.

Section 2. That a copy of this resolution be provided to the Chair of the Commission on Open Government and Florida Governor Charlie Crist.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town of St. Leo, Florida during a regular commission meeting, this 10th Day of November 2008


Mayor, James Hallett, O.S.B.


Town Clerk, Joan Miller, C.M.C.

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