

## RESOLUTION 2018-04

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY ST. AUGUSTINE, URGING THE LEGISLATURE TO OPPOSE HB 773, PROHIBITING CITIES FROM ESTABLISHING ORDINANCES SPECIFIC TO SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTALS AND REQUIRING ALL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES BE TREATED THE SAME, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE PROPERTY IS BEING USED AS A RENTAL OR NOT.**

**WHEREAS**, a short-term vacation rental is defined as a property that is rented more than three times a year for less than 30 days at a time; and

**WHEREAS**, short-term rentals are causing problems in many cities around the state by creating commercial activity in residential areas (mini-hotels in neighborhoods). Problems include noise, inadequate parking, infrastructure intended for residential use is now being used on a commercial scale, and decreased property values in neighborhoods taken over by vacation rentals; and

**WHEREAS**, Cities need their Home Rule authority fully restored so they can effectively determine local solutions that work for their respective communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Current statutory preemption of local zoning regulations directly and adversely affect the quality of life of residents;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of St. Augustine:**

SECTION 1: The City Commission of the City of St. Augustine urges all members of the Florida Legislature to oppose the adoption of HB 773.

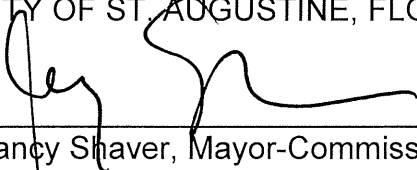
SECTION 2: The City Commission of the City of St. Augustine further directs the City Clerk to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Florida Legislative Delegation, Cabinet, and any other interested parties.

SECTION 3: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

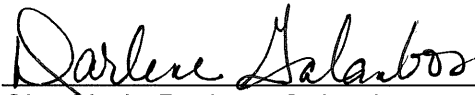
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**ADOPTED** in Regular Session of the City Commission for the City of St. Augustine, Florida, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2018.

CITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA

  
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Nancy Shaver, Mayor-Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk, Darlene Galambos  
(Corporate Seal)

