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To: Lee Garrity
Subject: RE: We the People Resolution

From: Derwin Montgomery
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2017 5:18 PM
To: Lee Garrity
Subject: Fwd: We the People Resolution

Lee,

I would like discussion of the attached placed on the CDHGG committee agenda for Nov.

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Sent from my iPhone

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From: Subash M Shah <shahsubashm@gmail.com>
Date: September 29, 2017 at 2:49:34 PM EDT
To: derwinm@cityofws.org
Subject: We the People Resolution

Dear Council Member Montgomery,

My name is Subash M. Shah and I am writing to make you aware of the American Promise work we are doing in the Triad to help raise awareness about how to get big money out of politics by passing the "We the People" Constitutional Amendment which would address the Supreme Court's decision in Citizen's United in 2010. That and other decisions paved the way for unlimited big money to have free reign in our political process and for corporate monies to be deemed free speech. 8 out of 10 Americans agree that our political system is out of control, want reasonable limits on campaign contributions, and agree that human liberties are for people, not corporations. American Promise is a national non-partisan, non-profit organization founded in 2016 to win the 28th Amendment that says people — not money — govern America.

I am a member of the American Promise Association Winston Salem and we have formulated a Resolution that we feel the City Council of Winston Salem can embrace with enthusiasm and confidence. The Resolution is attached below as a word document and has been provided to all City Council Members and to Mayor Allen Joines. By passing this Resolution, Winston Salem will join 15 other cities and counties around North Carolina, nearly 800 cities and towns across the land, and 19 states that are resolved to restore constitutional rights and fair elections to the people of the United States.

Please look over this proposed Resolution and let us know if you have any questions or would like to discuss further. We are looking forward to your support for a timely, successful passage. You can also visit www.americanpromise.net for further information.

Thank you for your consideration for this important, foundational work to restore democracy to all citizens. We appreciate the good work you do on behalf of all of us who live in Winston Salem.

Sincerely,

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