



**SHORELINE
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September 23, 2016

Clarence E. Anthony
National League of Cities
660 North Capitol Street NW, Suite 450
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Anthony:

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By adopting Resolution No. 395, the Shoreline City Council confirmed that HB2 is inconsistent with the work and values of the City of Shoreline to promote equity and inclusion and to advance social justice for the citizens of Shoreline. And, to the extent possible, the Council believes the use of discretionary public taxpayer dollars should reflect the values of the people of the City of Shoreline and should not be used to support economies that sustain and enact discriminatory laws and policies.

Therefore, the Council and other City staff will not be attending the National League of Cities 2017 City Summit in its currently planned location in Charlotte, North Carolina. However, because the NLC's annual City Summit conferences are an invaluable gathering of local government professionals and knowledge, the City of Shoreline urges the NLC to find an alternative location for the conference that supports the principles of social justice, equity, and inclusion for all citizens and visitors.

Sincerely,

Christopher Roberts
Mayor

cc: City Councilmembers
Debbie Tarry, City Manager

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Deanna Dawson
Sound Cities Association
6300 Southcenter Blvd. Suite 206
Tukwila, WA 98188

Dear Ms. Dawson:

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Peter King
Association of Washington Cities
1076 Franklin Street SE
Olympia, WA 98501-1346

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Lieutenant Governor Dan Forest
310 N. Blount Street
Raleigh, NC 27601

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Speaker of the House Tim Moore
North Carolina House of Representatives
16 W. Jones Street, Room 2304
Raleigh, NC 27601-1096

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Governor Pat McCrory
North Carolina Office of the Governor
20301 Mail Service Center
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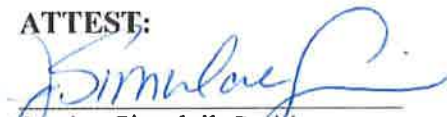
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