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RESOLUTION NO. 27-89

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS URGING THE TEXAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION AMENDING SECTION 321.101 (B), THE TAX CODE RELATING TO THE ELIGIBILITY OF CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES TO ADOPT AN ADDITIONAL SALES AND USE TAX TO REDUCE PROPERTY TAXES.

WHEREAS, current legislation prohibits municipalities in a county that contains territory within the boundaries of a regional transportation authority, created under Chapter 683 Acts of the 66th Legislature, Regular Session, 1979 (Article 118Y, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), from enacting a one-half of one percent optional sales tax as a substitute for corresponding reduction in property taxes; and

WHEREAS, a number of municipalities do not participate in the Regional Transportation District and are prohibited from participating in this sales tax legislation; and

WHEREAS, this legislation discriminates against those municipalities' citizens by denying them the opportunity to vote for property tax relief;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council of the City of Mesquite urges the Texas Municipal League to support legislation amending section 321.101 (B), of the Tax Code, to allow cities that do not participate in regional transit authorities to levy the one-half of one percent sales tax as provided to other municipalities in the State of Texas.


SECTION 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage as the Charter in such cases provides;


DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 21st day of August, 1989.

  
George A. Venner, Sr.  
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

  
Lynn Prugel  
City Secretary

  
B.J. Smith  
City Attorney