

RESOLUTION NO. 12-97

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, SUPPORTING THE INCREASED USE OF COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS FOR REGIONAL PLANNING AND THE DECENTRALIZATION OF STATE AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS AND TO PROMOTE REGIONAL COOPERATION AMONG LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

WHEREAS, there are twenty-four regional council of governments in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, local elected officials are active in the leadership of each of the 24 councils of governments; and

WHEREAS, councils of governments allow local elected officials to be involved in the delivery of state and federal services within their region and to coordinate and cooperate on local projects; and

WHEREAS, the Texas House of Representatives Appropriations Committee's Subcommittee on the Efficiency of Councils of Governments has heard testimony from state agencies and from county and city officials attesting to the importance and efficiency of councils of governments; and

WHEREAS, local elected officials strongly believe that local control, accountability, and leadership are the foundation on which councils of governments success has been built.

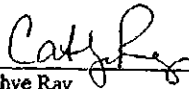
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the City of Mesquite is opposed to any legislation, such as H.B. 980, which attempts to dilute local control of councils of governments.

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon date of passage as the law in such cases provides.

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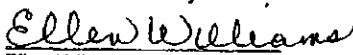
DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 17th day of March 1997.



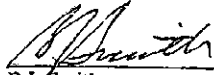
Cathye Ray
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:



Ellen Williams
City Secretary



B.J. Smith
City Attorney