

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, federal unfunded mandates on city governments have increased significantly in recent years; and

WHEREAS, federal mandates require cities to perform duties without consideration of local circumstances or capacity; and

WHEREAS, federal mandates require compliance regardless of other pressing local needs and priorities affecting the health, welfare, and safety of municipal citizens; and

WHEREAS, excessive federal burdens on cities force on citizens and taxpayers either higher local taxes and fees, reduced local services, or both; and

WHEREAS, federal mandates are too often inflexible, "one-size-fits-all" requirements that impose unrealistic time frames and specify procedures or facilities when less costly alternatives might be just as effective, and

WHEREAS, existing mandates impose harsh pressures on local budgets, and the federal government has imposed a freeze upon funding to help compensate for any new mandates, and

WHEREAS, the cumulative impact of these legislative and regulatory actions directly affects the citizens of our cities, and

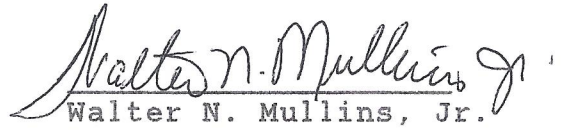
WHEREAS, the National League of Cities (NLC), in conjunction with other state and local government representatives and state municipal leagues, including the Texas Municipal League (TML), has begun a national public education campaign to help citizens understand and then reduce the burden and inflexibility of unfunded mandates, beginning with a National Unfunded Mandates Day on October 27, 1993;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Tatum, Texas endorses the events that will bring this process on October 27th; and

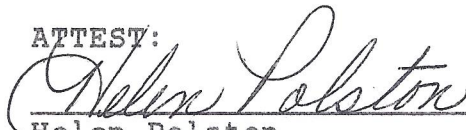
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Tatum, Texas resolves to redouble efforts to inform and work with members of our Congressional delegation to inform them about the impact of federal mandates and actions necessary to reduce their burden on our citizens.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 19TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1993 .

APPROVED:


Walter N. Mullins, Jr.
Mayor

ATTEST:


Helen Polston
City Secretary