

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2015-7**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS, OPPOSING SENATE BILL 182 INTRODUCED IN THE 84<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE AND ANY OTHER LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD IMPOSE A REVENUE CAP OR LIMIT LOCAL CONTROL; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the City Council to promote the general welfare of the citizens of Tyler; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tyler is a home-rule municipality acting under its Charter adopted by the electorate pursuant to Article 11, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution, and other statutory authority; and

**WHEREAS**, Tyler's Blueprint was adopted in the mid 1990's and has resulted in the reduction of Tyler's tax rate by more than 60 percent; and

**WHEREAS**, Limiting local control and capping the ability to raise the property tax rate will limit Tyler's ability to respond to local needs;

**WHEREAS**, such a cap is inequitable to the City of Tyler as it is a percentage of the current tax rate versus a cap on the actual value of the increased rate;

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

**PART 1:** That the Tyler City Council is opposed to legislation during the 84th session of the Texas Legislature to limit local control and change the revenue cap for local property tax rates from eight percent (8%) to four percent (4%); and

**PART 2:** That the City Manager and City staff are hereby directed to continue their efforts and cooperation with all appropriate State legislators in opposition of this proposed legislation; and

**PART 3:** That this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, A.D., 2015.

  
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MARTIN HEINES, MAYOR OF  
THE CITY OF TYLER, TEXAS

ATTEST:

  
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CASSANDRA BRAGER, CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

  
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DEBORAH G. PULLUM, CITY ATTORNEY

