



## City of North Port

### Resolution No. 2017-R-12

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA URGING ALL MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO OPPOSE HB 13 AND SB 1770 WHICH WOULD WHICH PHASE OUT COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND NOT ALLOW ANY NEW CRA PROJECTS OR DEBT AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2017; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Part III of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, currently allows a county or municipality to create a Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) to carry out redevelopment of slum or blighted areas when certain conditions exist. Examples of conditions that can support the creation of a CRA include the presence of substandard or inadequate structures, a shortage of affordable housing, inadequate infrastructure and insufficient roadways; and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Legislature is considering House Bill (HB) 13, which will terminate all CRAs in the state by 2037, not allow the creation of any new CRAs after October 1, 2017, and not allow any new CRA projects or debt after October 1, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill (SB) 1770 would terminate all CRAs in the state by 2037 and will only allow the creation of new CRAs by a super majority vote of a city or county; and

**WHEREAS**, CRAs have demonstrated that the use of Tax Increment Funding dramatically improved the economic and social outcomes within the targeted areas. These outcomes benefit both cities and the counties and, more importantly, the taxpayers; and,

**WHEREAS**, CRAs have proven historically to provide distressed communities with a better economy through improved infrastructure, job opportunities and housing. Their mission is to make housing and urban areas safer for residents, to preserve and grow business, and provide improved, safe and clean places for all who live there.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The foregoing “WHEREAS” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2.** The City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida urges all members of the Florida Legislature to oppose the adoption of HB 13 and SB 1770.

**Section 3.** The City Clerk is hereby directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Florida League of Cities, Manasota League of Cities, members of the Local Legislative Delegations for Manatee County and Sarasota County, the Speaker of the House, the Senate President and Governor Scott.

**Section 4.** This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT AT ITS REGULAR SESSION THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

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LINDA M. YATES,  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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PATSY C. ADKINS, MMC  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
CORRECTNESS:

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MARK MORIARTY  
CITY ATTORNEY