

**Town of Union**

**Resolution**

**#02142018**

**Supporting a Constitutional Amendment to Allow Limits on Campaign Contributions  
And Conducting a Non-binding Statewide Referendum**

**Whereas**, free and fair elections are essential to democracy and effective self-governance, and:

**Whereas**: even the appearance of being able to buy access to candidates or influence policy and governing decisions based on large donations erodes the voter's confidence in our elections and democracy.

**Whereas**: the U. S. Supreme Court's decisions in Citizens United and related cases allow unlimited spending by certain groups know as Super-PACs to influence local, state, and federal elections.

**Whereas**: the above mentioned Supreme Court Cases:

1) have granted Corporations, Unions, Super-PACs and other man-made entities the same Constitutional protections given only to "We the People..." (i.e. individual human beings) by the Framers of the Constitution, and

2. have declared money to be "free speech"


**Now therefore, be it resolved that the Town Board of the Town of Union, Door County, Wisconsin**, does hereby respectfully request the Door County Board of Supervisors to support this Resolution and asks the Wisconsin State Legislature, and our locally elected state representatives, to provide the voters of the state with the opportunity to speak through a non-binding state-wide Referendum asking if they, the voters, support an amendment to United States Constitution stating:

1) Only human being-not corporations, unions, Super-PACs, or similar associations- are endowed with individual constitutional rights, and

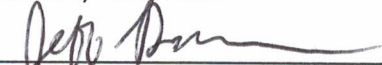
2) Money is not speech, and therefore limited political contributions and spending is not equivalent to restricting political speech

**Be it further resolved**, that the Clerk of the Town of Union send a copy of this Resolution to the Door County Board and to our state and federal representatives with instructions to enact resolutions, referenda, and legislation to advance this effort.

Adopted this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018

  
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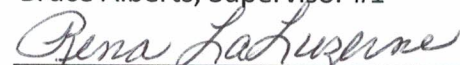
Brian Renard, Chairman

  
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Jeff LeGrave, Supervisor #2

  
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Bruce Alberts, Supervisor #1

  
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Attest: Rena LaLuzerne, Clerk