

RESOLUTION R2022-015

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SHAKOPEE
SUPPORTING HOUSING AND LOCAL DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, Local elected decision-makers are in the best position to determine the health, safety, and welfare of their local constituents and the accompanying regulations necessary to ensure such; and

WHEREAS, zoning regulation is an important planning tool that benefits communities economically and socially, can improve health and wellness, and helps conserve the environment; and

WHEREAS, local zoning regulation allows communities to plan for the use of land transparently, involving residents through public engagement including as part of the comprehensive planning process; and

WHEREAS, cities across the state are keenly aware of the distinct housing challenges facing their communities and they target those local housing challenges with the tools available for their use; and

WHEREAS, multiple bills restricting local decision-making related to housing have been introduced in the 2021-2022 biennium.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Shakopee supports local decision-making authority and opposes legislation that restricts the ability of local elected officials to respond to the needs of their communities.

LET IT ALSO BE RESOLVED that the City of Shakopee supports housing policy that advances support of the full housing spectrum of solutions, local innovations, incentives as opposed to mandates, and community specific solutions throughout Minnesota.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHAKOPEE THIS 15TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2022.

WILLIAM P. MARS
MAYOR

ATTEST:

LORI HENSEN
CITY CLERK