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Appleton, WI 54911

May 29, 2014

City of Appleton Common Council
Appleton City Hall
100 N. Appleton Street
Appleton, WI 54911

RE: PETITION FOR DIRECT LEGISLATION

Dear City of Appleton Common Council Members:

On behalf of Appleton Move to Amend, please find enclosed a petition for direct legislation bearing the signatures of 5099 individuals, a number of electors exceeding the minimally required 15% of the votes cast for governor in the last general election in the City of Appleton, pursuant to Wisconsin Statute § 9.20(1). Even though this petition may include as many as 105 invalid signatures, for reasons indicated on the accompanying spreadsheet, we still believe it contains an adequate number of signatures required by law.

Although the Council itself could pass the attached proposed resolution, pursuant to § 9.20(4), we respectfully request you to refer it, without alteration, to a vote of the Electors by placing it on the November 4, 2014 ballot as a referendum in the City of Appleton. We believe that the Electors should have the opportunity to express themselves directly and democratically.

Our proposed resolution calls for a U.S. Constitutional Amendment declaring that: 1) Only human beings - not corporations, unions, nonprofit organizations, limited liability companies or similar associations - are endowed with constitutional rights; and 2) Money is not speech, and therefore regulating political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting political speech under the First Amendment. A "Yes" vote on this resolution would indicate support for a Constitutional Amendment, while a "No" vote would indicate opposition to an Amendment.

As the individual filing on behalf of Appleton Move to Amend, please contact me directly should you have any questions or concerns about the validity or sufficiency of our petition.

Sincerely,



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