

RESOLUTION 4-1976

A RESOLUTION REJECTING THE DRIFT TOWARD REGIONAL GOVERNMENT IN MINNESOTA

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature has established by law the Metropolitan Council and Region under Laws of 1967, Chapter 896, in which region the City of Lexington is located, and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature has created regions throughout the State of Minnesota under a law designated as "Regional Development Act of 1969" in Laws of 1969, Chapter 1122; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature has passed legislation relative to planning in the area covered by the Metropolitan Council, which legislation is designated "Metropolitan Government--Land Planning" and is Chapter 127 of Laws of 1976; and

WHEREAS, through the above legislation and other legislative acts too numerous to list individually, the Minnesota Legislature appears to be moving the State of Minnesota and particularly the Metropolitan Area into a system of regional government; and

WHEREAS, said regional government removes from the hands and votes of the citizens the controls normally exercised by all citizens over those who would govern them; and

WHEREAS, elected officials such as the Mayor and members of the City Council for the City of Lexington are finding greater restraints placed on their authority to govern the citizens who elect them, and see more and more authority granted explicitly and implicitly to unaccountable bureaucratic agencies;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the common council of the City of Lexington as follows:

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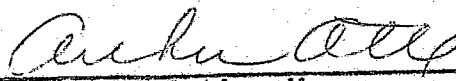
1. That the City of Lexington express its extreme concern over the drift away from local government elected by the people and towards regional government unaccountable to the people;

2. That the City of Lexington make known to the State Representative and the State Senator who represent our citizens in the State Legislature our unqualified opposition to the past erosions of local government authority and prerogatives, as well as any future attempts at further erosion of its authority to govern its citizens;

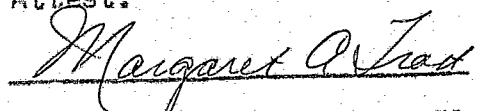
3. That the City of Lexington urge other cities and other governmental units of like persuasions to make immediate contact with their state representatives and state senators expressing their concerns in these areas.

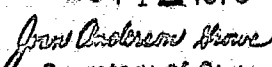
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of the Resolution be forwarded to all state constitutional officers, both United State Senators representing the State of Minnesota, and the United States Representatives for the Eighth Congressional District.

Adopted this 16th day of September, 1976


Arthur Otte, Acting Mayor
City of Lexington

Attest:


Margaret A. Trast, City Clerk-Treasurer

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