

Resolution: Recognizing the importance of smart innovations

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WHEREAS, the National Foundation for Women Legislators (NFWL) recognizes Smart Communities use information, improved communications, and technology to enhance its livability, workability and sustainability; and

WHEREAS, there is benefit in the use of smart computing technologies to make the critical infrastructure components and services of a city (such as city administration, education, public health and emergency services, public safety, real estate and planning/development, code enforcement, transportation and utilities) more intelligent, interconnected and efficient; and

WHEREAS, the NFWL identifies technology as a critical part of a location's economic base and recognizes the value it provides as it becomes increasingly integrated into all facets of our community's economy, creative endeavors, healthcare, training, education, research and our day to day living; and

WHEREAS, the rapidly changing pace of technological advances requires an adaptive and iterative or evolving approach to planning; and

WHEREAS, the NFWL encourages Smart Community initiatives ensure that benefits accrue to ALL of its diverse community members; and

WHEREAS, the NFWL understands partnerships between industries and businesses will be a key component in ensuring the success of a smart community, and promotes the advantages of smart approaches by further connecting Smart Community participants, across multiple sectors (transportation, energy, utilities, health, safety, environment, small businesses, global companies, non-profits, higher education groups, and governmental organizations); and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that members of the National Foundation for Women Legislators will seek to support the forefront of developing partnerships and deploying next-generation technologies to better serve and help people in all our communities.