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Date August 29, 2011

COMMUNICATION FROM THE DES MOINES HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION TO REQUEST THE CITY COUNCIL TO AMEND THE DES MOINES MUNICIPAL CODE TO CONFORM TO THE IOWA CODE CHAPTER 216 BY ADDING GENDER IDENTITY AS A PROTECTED CLASS

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2011, the Des Moines Human Rights Commission passed a motion to request the city council to amend the City of Des Moines Human Rights Ordinance to be in compliance with Chapter 216 of the Code of Iowa by adding gender identity as a protected class; and

WHEREAS, the motion from the commission also included that a copy of the Attorney General's letter of advice on this matter be provided to the city council; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General's letter of advice is attached;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, that the communication from the Des Moines Human Rights Commission and the Attorney General's letter be received, filed and referred to the legal department for appropriate action.

Moved by Coleman to receive, file and refer to the Legal Department for preparation of proper legislation.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Douglas P. Philip, Assistant City Attorney

Table with 5 columns: COUNCIL ACTION, YEAS, NAYS, PASS, ABSENT. Rows include COWNIE, COLEMAN, GRIESS, HENSLEY, MAHAFFEY, MEYER, MOORE, and TOTAL.

CERTIFICATE

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Y. M. Franklin Council Mayor

Diane Rauh City Clerk