

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF GILLETTE IN OPPOSITION TO THE LEGALIZATION
OF **RECREATIONAL** MARIJUANA IN THE STATE OF WYOMING

WHEREAS, the American Medical Association (AMA), the National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP), the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM), the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA), and the White House all stand in opposition to the legalization of marijuana; and

WHEREAS, marijuana is a Schedule I drug under the Controlled Substances Act, defined as having a high potential for abuse; and

WHEREAS, marijuana use rates have risen substantially since 2007, with more youth in treatment for marijuana abuse or dependence than for use of alcohol and all other drugs; and

WHEREAS, any tax revenue from marijuana sales would be insignificant in comparison to its social and health expense, placing a significant strain on our health care system, and posing considerable danger to the health and safety of the users themselves, their families and our communities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gillette has steadfastly supported strategies for the prevention, education and treatment of substance abuse in our communities;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GILLETTE, WYOMING that the City of Gillette strongly opposes the legalization of **recreational** marijuana in the State of Wyoming.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2016.

Louise Carter-King, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk