

**A Proclamation in Support of the  
Legislative Agenda of the  
Municipal Association of South Carolina**

**WHEREAS**, cities and towns in South Carolina are the government closest to the people providing the core services residents and businesses demand for a high quality of life;

**WHEREAS**, residents and businesses want their local city and town councils to have the flexibility to make decisions that are best for their communities while also being held accountable by their residents to spend wisely and govern locally;

**WHEREAS**, the flexibility for cities and towns to use their scarce dollars in challenging economic times can come from targeted changes in state law;

**WHEREAS**, on December 14, 2010, the Municipal Association board of directors approved the 2011-2012 legislative agenda that supports local elected leaders making decisions based on local needs and priorities;

**WHEREAS**, the legislative agenda is based around three legislative principles of promoting economic growth, enhancing a positive quality of life, and encouraging local accountability and fiscal responsibility that support the core functions of government that cities and towns provide;

**WHEREAS**, enclave annexation, municipal capital project sales tax, millage cap flexibility and codes enforcement are the four major legislative issues that local elected leaders determined can have the greatest impact on their hometowns;

**WHEREAS**, the agenda also focuses on fiscal, economic development, infrastructure and public safety issues that are important to cities and towns of all sizes and in all parts of the state;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Isle of Palms fully supports the agenda set forth by the Municipal Association of SC board of directors for cities and towns to govern locally for residents;

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** that the Council of the City of Isle of Palms affirms on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2011, its support for the Municipal Association's 2011-2012 legislative agenda to direct more local decision making to the local elected officials that govern the state's 270 cities and towns.

Done and ratified this January 25, 2011.

  
Richard F. Cronin, Mayor