



FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION Resolution 2017-2

Florida Sheriffs Association Resolution in Support of a Victims' Bill of Rights and Ensuring the Independence of Constitutional Officers

Whereas, the Florida Constitution in Article VIII, Section 1 (d), creates the following constitutional officers: sheriff, tax collector, property appraiser, supervisor of elections, and clerk of the circuit court, and invested in them certain powers and duties; and

Whereas, Florida sheriffs are dedicated to keeping Florida's citizens safe and their right to choose and elect their constitutional officers; and

Whereas, the Constitution Revision Commission is established to recommend proposed amendments to the Florida Constitution for the benefit of Florida citizens; and

Whereas, the Florida Sheriffs Association supports the election of independent constitutional officers to ensure the right of the citizens of the county to elect their constitutional officers and the direct accountability of the officers to the electorate; and

Whereas, the Florida Sheriffs Association values the protection of life and property of the citizens of Florida and the expansion of legal rights to victims of crime;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that on this 25th day of July 2017 at the Summer Conference in Bonita Springs, Florida, the Florida Sheriffs Association publicly acknowledges and reiterates its support for constitutional amendments that will ensure citizens are directly represented by the constitutional officers in every county and that victims are protected by a bill of rights.

FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION:

ATTEST:

Sheriff Jerry Demings
President

Steve Casey
Executive Director

