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The Florida Constitution Revision Commission
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RE: Florida Chamber Supports Proposal 97

Dear Commissioners:

Thank you for your service to Florida as a Commissioner of the 2018 Constitution Revision Commission. Your role in refining and debating our state's central document has the potential to set Florida on a path of continued prosperity.

One of the roles of the Constitution Revision Commission is to examine our state's constitution for internal inconsistencies that may be the result of years of amendments. Proposal 97 is one such instance of having two differing standards for two very similar constitutional actions within the same article. Proposal 97 brings consistency to Article XI and to our constitution by calculating both taxing and non-taxing amendments the same way.

The Florida Chamber supports Proposal 97 because it:

- Creates consistency by the way that votes are tallied;
- Protects our constitution from out-of-state special interests who may try to buy their way into the constitution; and
- Eliminates confusion by bringing parity to two different ways to calculate passage of a constitutional amendment.

The Florida Chamber urges you to vote for this proposal, and looks forward to working with the Constitution Revision Commission to help write Florida's next chapter of collaboration and success.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Frank C. Walker III".

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