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The Florida Constitution Revision Commission
404 South Monroe Street
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RE: Florida Chamber Opposes Proposal 6010

Dear Commissioners:

Thank you for your service to our state as a member of the Constitution Revision Commission.

As you know, the Florida Chamber of Commerce opposed Proposal 29, relating to employer mandates. We remain in opposition to Proposal 6010.

The Florida Chamber of Commerce supports a consistent federal policy of immigration enforcement that avoids unnecessary burdens on employers. The Florida Chamber has consistently opposed state proposals that undermine the federal government's duty to enforce immigration laws as well as those that could harm either Florida's economy or reputation in the international community. The Florida Chamber believes that Proposal 6010 places undue burdens on employers, likely relies on a historically inaccurate program, and improperly encroaches on the role of the federal government.

But most concerning is the placement of this complicated and changing program into our state's foundational document. The Florida Chamber of Commerce opposes constitutional proposals that can be accomplished through the legislative process. If other states' experiences are any guides, new immigration policies open up many unintended consequences and the inflexibility of a constitutional mandate cannot be easily changed to adjust to new circumstances.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Frank C. Walker, III". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Frank C. Walker, III
Vice President of Government Affairs

CC: Bob Grammig, Chair, Florida Chamber of Commerce
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