

To: Members of the Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee
Re: SB 474: Administrative Ordinance Restrictions

This legislation could have a significant and negative impact on our operations within the city. Our locally elected city officials are elected and expected to represent the citizens in our city and I believe they do a great job. Our local Governing Body makes informed and educated decisions on a variety of issues, but we make these decisions with all of the information. Sometimes our citizens, although having access to all of the information, have misplaced passion and might overturn a city decision that could have negative consequences that they were not expecting. We have wonderful community members here, but I know there are those who could form a petition based on emotion and not information. That is not a good way to operate. I would ask that you do not pass this legislation that could be detrimental to some of our functions as a city. I do not believe that you would want to operate this way at the state level and I would ask that you give cities the same consideration.

Sincerely,

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Mayor
City of Paola