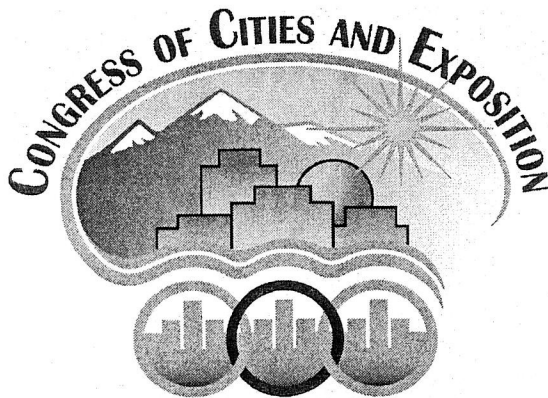




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1 NLC RESOLUTION #51

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3 IN SUPPORT OF ELECTRONIC CONTROL DEVICES

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5 WHEREAS, the National League of Cities' mission is to strengthen and promote cities
6 as centers of opportunity, leadership, and governance; and

7 WHEREAS, the ability of law enforcement to safely and effectively deescalate violence,
8 protect citizens and reduce injuries to criminal subjects is crucial to overall public safety
9 and supports the mission of the National League of Cities; and

10 WHEREAS, electronic control devices have proven to be a safe and effective tools for
11 law enforcement to deescalate violence, protect citizens and reduce injuries to criminal
12 subjects; and

13 WHEREAS, statistical data has shown decreases in officer and subject injuries in cities
14 where electronic control devices are deployed; and

15 WHEREAS, overall law enforcement related shootings have declined in cities where
16 electronic control devices are deployed; and

17 WHEREAS, statistical data has shown dramatic decreases in law enforcement workers
18 compensation expenses in cities where electronic control devices are deployed; and

19 WHEREAS, proper training and appropriate use of electronic control devices is crucial
20 to maintain their efficacy and safety; and

21 WHEREAS, municipal governments and local law enforcement agencies should
22 promote safety and advance technologies and policies that encourage community safety;
23 and

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the National League of Cities calls on the
25 United States Congress to provide adequate funding resources to assist local law
26 enforcement agencies with the deployment of state-of-the-art non-lethal technologies
27 such as electronic control devices in an effort to promote public safety; and

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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the United States Congress provide adequate
30 funding resources to assist local law enforcement agencies with the development and
31 promulgation of policies governing appropriate training, use, and placement of electronic
32 control devices in the local use of force continuum.
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