CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS COUNCIL RESOLUTION

April 11, 2012

No. 12-06

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL MARRIAGE AMENDMENT CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS

WHEREAS, in 2011 the Minnesota State Legislature voted to include the following question on the election ballot in November 2012: "Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to provide that only a union of one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized as a marriage of Minnesota?"; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment would add a new Section 13 to the Minnesota Constitution stating: "Only a union of one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized as a marriage in Minnesota."; and,

WHEREAS, the Falcon Heights City Council recognized the importance of equality for all citizens by passing the Domestic Partnership Registry in 2011; and,

WHEREAS, a broad coalition of organizations, community and business leaders, faith, labor, progressive and nonpartisan organizations; communities of color; and current and former elected officials have all joined to defeat this amendment.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Falcon Heights City Council joins the

broad coalition of individuals and organizations stated above in supporting Minnesotans United for All Families and hereby opposes the proposed constitutional amendment entitled "Recognition of Marriage Solely Between One Man and One Woman," and urges Falcon Heights citizens and Minnesota citizens to vote "No" on Tuesday, November 6, 2012. ------Moved by: Approved by: Peter Lindstrom, Mayor April 11, 2012 LINDSTROM In Favor Attested by: GOSLINE Bart Fischer HARRIS Against City Administrator LONG April 11, 2012 MERCER-TAYLOR