

RESOLUTION 2025-12

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT A
LETTER REQUESTING AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 25-001,
THE COLORADO VOTING RIGHTS ACT**

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 25-001, known as the Colorado Voting Rights Act, proposes new requirements for local elections, including increased reporting, enforcement obligations, and the potential for litigation risks; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fruita has a small population and limited staff and is concerned that the provisions of the bill would place a disproportionate burden on the City's resources and ability to manage elections; and

WHEREAS, based upon the direction from the City Council, staff has drafted a letter requesting amendments to Senate Bill 25-001, asking that the bill be amended to exclude municipalities from its provisions and to apply only to state and coordinated elections, where resources and scale are more appropriate; and

WHEREAS, these amendments are consistent with what is being proposed by the Colorado Municipal League and other organizations throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that supporting the request for amendments to Senate Bill 25-001 is in the best interest of the City of Fruita and its residents as it will prevent undue burdens on the City's limited resources and will maintain local control over municipal elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRUITA, COLORADO:

Section 1: The City Council hereby approves and authorizes the Mayor to submit the letter to the Colorado General Assembly requesting amendments to Senate Bill 25-001, the Colorado Voting Rights Act, to exclude municipalities like Fruita from its provisions and ensure that the regulations apply only to state and coordinated elections.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE FRUITA CITY COUNCIL
THIS 4th DAY OF MARCH, 2025**

ATTEST:

City of Fruita

Deb Woods, City Clerk

Matthew Breman, Mayor