

**CITY OF ST. FRANCIS  
ST. FRANCIS, MN  
ANOKA COUNTY**

**RESOLUTION 2026-04**

**RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO ANY DISPLAY OF THE MINNESOTA STATE FLAG**

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of Minnesota and the 2023 Legislature created a State Emblems Redesign Commission to redesign the official Minnesota state flag, and  
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**AND WHEREAS**, the Redesign Commission was charged with bringing recommendations on the redesign to the Legislature without a vote of the people of Minnesota no later than January 1, 2024, and

**AND WHEREAS**, the State Flag has remained largely unchanged since 1893; the current official state flag was created in 1957 with modifications in 1983, and

**AND WHEREAS**, the official state flag is not only a symbol of our state, but also of our history and contains historical information that is part of the rich history of our state, and

**AND WHEREAS**, the public reaction to the new flag has thus far been overwhelmingly negative, and

**BE IT RESOLVED** that in an alternative barring any unknown State of Minnesota Statutory requirement, that the St. Francis City Council has decided until further notice of a statutory change or further, a vote of the people of Minnesota on this matter, that it will not be flying or displaying the official Minnesota State flag in city offices or city council chamber nor upon any of the flag poles controlled and maintained by the City of St. Francis.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF ST. FRANCIS, MINNESOTA THAT:**

That the Council hereby decides and made its choice to retain the existing State Flag as the official flag for the State of Minnesota

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. FRANCIS THIS 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2026.**

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

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Jennifer Wida, City Clerk

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Mark Vogel, Mayor