

To: Quincy City Council
Date: February 21, 2017
RE: Sanctuary Cities Are For Citizens!

To The Quincy City Council,

I read about the motion calling for a vote in the Quincy City Council to make Quincy a Sanctuary City; but, what is the proper definition (and I'm not just going to spew opinion)? First, you have to understand The 10th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. It basically says that states are sovereign entities under a loose federal confederation; because, if a law is not in The Constitution, the ultimate authority is up to the "states or the people". Based on this then, what is the true definition of a Sanctuary City? It is a city of refuge where citizens can go to escape an oppressive federal law that the states or the people do not agree upon. Under this definition, for Quincy to vote to become a Sanctuary City, is perfectly within their rights.

But hold on a huge second, the definition says "citizens", because when The Constitution says that it is up to the "states or the people", the "people" it is referring to are "citizens", not foreigners. In other words, The 10th Amendment was written to give citizens a refuge from an oppressive federal government, not to give non-citizens a refuge from the rest of the world. If the Quincy City Council were therefore to vote to make Quincy a Sanctuary City for people other than citizens, it will then be voting in violation of The United States Constitution; and, any city in America that has voted this way is also in violation of The Constitution (whether they misquoted The 10th Amendment to do so or not). Not only this, but when The 10th Amendment says, "the states or the people", the "states" must agree, or the "people" must agree, which means to make a law in Quincy contrary to the federal government requires a ballot referendum for it to be a valid decision by "the people", not by a vote of the Quincy City Council.

What would be an example of a proper application of the 10th Amendment, you ask? One day soon, the federal government may convert our right to buy and sell into a privilege by requiring a license (a biometric "Mark"), doing away with cash completely. There will be such an uproar to this un-Constitutional Anti-American globalist action, whether for religious reasons or not, that the people will vote by referendum to create Sanctuary Cities, in order to make it known that they will not obey this tyrannical federal government mandate. There may even be states that will also hopefully vote via their state legislatures to become Sanctuary States.

John Adams, a native of Quincy, said that, "Facts are stubborn things", just as The Constitution is; and, I would have it no other way, because it was our freedom and liberty that the framers had in mind when they wrote it. I urge the Quincy City Council not to vote for Quincy to become a Sanctuary City for non-citizens.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephen J. Tougas". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Steve Tougas, Chairman
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