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**CITY COUNCIL MEMBER CHERI DONOHUE HONORED
WITH 2019 HOME RULE HERO AWARD**

(May 24, 2019, Temple Terrace, FL) – The Florida League of Cities (FLC) recently recognized City Council Member Cheri Donohue with a 2019 Home Rule Hero Award. Donohue earned this prestigious award for her tireless efforts to advance the League’s legislative agenda and help protect the Home Rule powers of Florida’s cities during the 2019 legislative session.

Home Rule is the ability for a city to address local problems through and by local decision makers with minimal state interference. The Home Rule Hero Award recipients are local government officials – both elected and nonelected – who consistently responded to the League’s request to reach out to members of the legislature and help give a local perspective to an issue.

“The dedication and effort of these local officials during the 2019 legislative session was extraordinary,” said FLC Legislative Director Scott Dudley. “These are some of our biggest advocates for municipal issues, and they’re shining examples of local advocacy in action. On behalf of the League and its legislative team, we’re proud to recognize each and every one of them and thank them for their service.”

“As an elected official of a small city, I think it is imperative to educate our legislators in Tallahassee on how their actions could affect local government,” said Donohue. “I always put the City of Temple Terrace into my letters so that they understand how their vote will impact my citizens, my neighbors and my business owners. It is an honor to be recognized for something that comes with the responsibility of being elected.”

Donohue was re-elected to City Council in 2018. She is a retired executive director of the Temple Terrace Chamber of Commerce and longtime community volunteer who has lived in Temple Terrace since 1976.

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