

We the People

Return the Power of

Eminent Domain

to its Original Intent in the Consitution.



Whereas, our property is endangered by the recent Supreme Court Kelo v. New London, Connecticut ruling that allows states to determine the power of Eminent Domain to take private property for private economic gain beyond the U.S. Constitution's original intent of "public use";

We the People resolve that the our state Constitution be amended to return the power of Eminent Domain to its original intent of public use, such as roads, bridges, schools, hospitals, and parks.

We further resolve that the power of Eminent Domain be prohibited from being used for private profit over public good.

CITIZENS' AMENDMENT TO THE MINNESOTA CONSTITUTION:

The power of eminent domain shall only be used to provide quintessentially public goods, such as roads, bridges, schools, hospitals, parks, etc., which are actually used by the general public. Hence, only for "public use".

The power of eminent domain shall not be used for "the taking of private property for transfer to a private entity for the purpose of economic development or enhancement of tax revenues." Exemptions are abandoned property and blighted and environmentally contaminated areas of more than 60% of properties.

Citizens Organized Acting Together (COACT)

Help us protect homes, farms, and businesses from those who would use the power of Eminent Domain for private gain.

Ask your State Legislators to support this State Constitutional Amendment.

Send your donation to Minnesota COACT, 2469 University Avenue, W 150, St. Paul 55114; or Central Minnesota COACT, 123 1/2 East Broadway, Little Falls 56345; or email us at www.coact.org