



**RESOLUTION OF THE SPANISH FEDERATION OF MUNICIPALITIES AND PROVINCES
(FEMP) SUPPORTING THE MAYOR OF CARACAS**

The Governing Board of FEMP, at its meeting on the 24th of February 2015, expressed its support to the Metropolitan Mayor of Caracas, **Dr Antonio Ledezma**, by the adoption of the following **Resolution**:

1. The FEMP adds to the concern of the international community and the human rights institutions, to the increasing practice of detention and arbitrary liberty deprivation of Mayors and opposition leaders in Venezuela and requests the Government from that country a behavior according to what is meant by the rule of law.
2. The FEMP publicly expresses its solidarity with Mr. Antonio Ledezma, Metropolitan Mayor of Caracas and demands his immediate release and that of all mayors arrested by freely express their ideas.
3. The FEMP will forward this resolution to the CONGRESS OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL AUTHORITIES OF EUROPE, THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS and the COUNCIL OF EUROPEAN MUNICIPALITIES AND REGIONS (CEMR) requesting these Europeans institutions publicly express support for the Venezuelan Mayors arrested for expressing their ideas.

This Federation, as a proposal of its Governing Board, invites to all Local Entities members to give their support for this Resolution.

Madrid, 24th of February 2015

