

Resolution Number 2008- 024

A Resolution Creating the City/County Council for Persons with Disabilities

WHEREAS the City of Muncie and Delaware County have agreed to utilize the services of an American with Disabilities Coordinator to review City and County operations and activities to assist those individuals with disabilities to enjoy full participation in community life ; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent and desire of Society to recognize and address barriers which are created, unwittingly, that prevent persons with disabilities from full participation in the Community; and

WHEREAS, Government has an obligation, under the law, to assist in implementing and enforcing the rules and regulations associated with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); and

WHEREAS, implementation of the ADA takes a concerted effort from everyone involved to adequately address the issues and problems; and

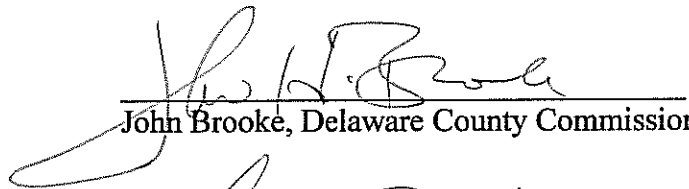
WHEREAS, both the City and the County would benefit from the creation of a joint commission of citizens from both jurisdictions to work together.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Delaware County, Indiana that:

1. The purpose of the City/County Council for People with Disabilities (CCPD) shall be to:
 - a. Advocate for citizens with disabilities, review policies and practices related to disability awareness, barriers and compliance issues; assist employers and promote employment opportunities for disabled persons
 - b. Make recommendations to the Mayor and County Commissioners for modifications or changes necessary to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of programs and services and to assist in developing local legislative policies and ordinances affecting citizens with disabilities
 - c. Ensure that the program and policy implementation is consistent with the goals of inclusion articulated in the ADA.
 - d. Work with the ADA coordinator to achieve these purposes.
 - e. Serve as an advisory board to review grievances and make recommendations to the Mayor or County Commissioners.
2. There is created a City/County Council for People with Disabilities with the above stated purposes.
 - a. The CCPD shall consist of 11 members appointed for a term of three (3) years.

- b. The Mayor of the City of Muncie must adopt an Executive Order which also creates the CCPD with similar terms and purposes.
 - c. The Mayor of the City of Muncie shall appoint six (6) members of the CCPD.
 - d. The Board of Commissioners shall appoint five (5) members of the CCPD.
 - e. The Board of Commissioners shall appoint the initial Chairperson of the CCPD and they shall serve for a period of one (1) year from their appointment. Subsequent chairpersons shall be elected by a majority of the members of the CCPD.
3. All members of the CCPD shall serve without compensation for their service to the Community.

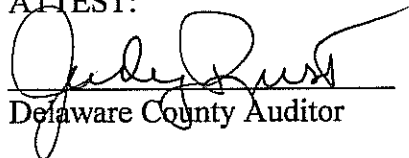
Approved this 10 day of October, 2008.


John Brooke, Delaware County Commissioner


Larry Bledsoe, Delaware County Commissioner


Tom L. Bennington, Delaware County Commissioner

ATTEST:


Delaware County Auditor