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RESOLUTION NO. 2010-015

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE MUNCIE ACTION PLAN

WHEREAS, the City of Muncie, Community Development Department, and Ivy Tech University have collaborated to sponsor a community-wide effort to develop action plan for the city of Muncie called the Muncie Action Plan (MAP), and

WHEREAS, nearly 2000 Muncie and Delaware County residents have eagerly assisted in Community Choice workshops in December 2009, January, March and June 2010, and

WHEREAS, the 8th grade classes at Wilson and Northside Middle Schools and the senior classes at Southside and Central High Schools gave their input for MAP in April 2010, and

WHEREAS, economic issues of concern to the community include the concentration of poverty in the city, the changing economy and the need for jobs offering a living wage, the need for collaboration in economic development, the need to retain the city's young adults, the need to recruit business, and the desire to get people to live, work, and play in Muncie, and

WHEREAS, amenities and quality of life are important for retaining and attracting talent, these factors must be addressed as part of the city's image enhancement and economic development strategic planning; and

WHEREAS, the introduction of several important institutional uses by Ball State University and Ivy Tech Community College will further boost downtown's profile and its market for housing and retail, and

WHEREAS, the approval of MAP by local governmental units will lend critical support during the application for grants needed to implement some of the MAP actions,

WHEREAS, the participants in MAP—the 30-member steering committee, the hundreds of citizens and students—offered thousands of ideas and their best hopes for Muncie, and

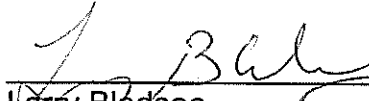
WHEREAS, these ideas, goals, and aspirations are now consolidated and published as the Muncie Action Plan,

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

Section 1: That the Muncie Action Plan shall be acknowledged as the official action plan for the City of Muncie and that its 47 actions therein be fully embraced by the citizens, students, civic groups, neighborhood organizations, churches, fraternal groups, businesses, and Boards and commissions as they join the effort to implement MAP.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after passage by the Common Council and its approval by the Mayor of the City of Muncie, Indiana, and such publication as may be required by law.

Passed by the Board of Commissioners of Delaware County, Indiana, this 19 day of July, 2010.



Larry Bledsoe

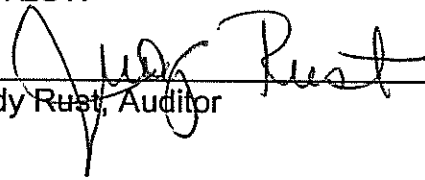


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