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RESOLUTION 00-09

ENDORSING THE COMMUNITY CAPACITY TASK FORCE AND THE COMMUNITY CAPACITY PLAN

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Bloomington fully supports the purpose of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Indiana Civil Rights Law, and Bloomington Human Rights Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington, Indiana, does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the operation of and access to its activities and programs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington has made great advances in making its facilities accessible for people with disabilities, as well as in encouraging non-governmental public facilities to meet ADA requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Community Capacity Task Force (CCTF) was established as an extension of the Monroe County Step Ahead Council to promote a truly inclusive community that embraces persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, representatives from the City of Bloomington Council for Community Accessibility served on the CCTF; and

WHEREAS, the CCTF recognized that people with disabilities will not have equal access to public accommodations unless builders, architects and providers of public accommodations understand and meet accessibility requirements; and

WHEREAS, the CCTF further recognized that the public will benefit from being educated about issues facing persons with disabilities and the important contributions such people make to society; and

WHEREAS, based upon the foregoing conclusions, the Community Capacity Task Force has prepared a Community Capacity Plan for achieving a truly inclusive community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

SECTION 1. The Common Council supports efforts to increase the accessibility of buildings to persons with disabilities, and urges all individuals and entities, both private and public, to seek out and implement new opportunities to advance accessibility in Bloomington wherever possible.

SECTION 2. The Common Council encourages efforts to increase public awareness of issues facing people with disabilities into all aspects of community life.

SECTION 3. The City of Bloomington endorses the Community Capacity Task Force and the goals and objectives of the Community Capacity Plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 15th day of March, 2000.

Timothy Mayer

TIMOTHY MAYER, President
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

~~REGINA MOORE~~, Clerk Deputy Clerk
City of Bloomington

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 16th day of March, 2000.

Regina Moore
REGINA MOORE, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 16th day of March, 2000.

JOHN FERNANDEZ, Mayor
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution is sponsored by Councilmember Pizzo. It endorses the Community Capacity Task Force and their plan for improving the access of people with disabilities to buildings, programs and services within the community.

Copies to: Human Rights
CFR
Council for Community Accessibility