Passed: 8-1

# RESOLUTION 94-53

## REQUESTING THAT THE CITY INFORM PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS IN ADVANCE OF THE COUNCIL ACTION TO ANNEX THEIR PROPERTIES

WHEREAS, annexation extends the authority of the City to govern the people and property in the newly annexed areas; and

WHEREAS, at the time of annexation the City provides a fiscal plan for providing services that benefit those who own property or reside in newly annexed areas; and

WHEREAS, with these services come obligations to pay property taxes and follow local ordinances; and

WHEREAS, property owners and residents have valuable information about the conditions that would affect the provision of services and other consequences of annexation; and

WHEREAS, those individuals who reside in these areas will become citizens of the City and have the opportunity to join various boards and commissions and participate in the political process; and

WHEREAS, given the foregoing reasons, the residents and property owners should have an opportunity to learn about and comment on the plans of the City to bring them or their property into the City before final action by the Common Council;

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

The City should make good faith efforts to inform residents and property owners in advance of Council action to annex their properties and offer them an opportunity to comment on the proposed annexation before final action by the Council. These efforts should include issuing a news release with a map before the annexation ordinance is introduced at the Council and such other other steps like mailing information or other measures to assure broad dissemination of such information. This resolution does not create a right to legal notice for residents or owners of property in the areas to be annexed.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 19 day of October, 1994.

Jim Sherman

JIM SHERMAN, President
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 21 day of October, 1994.

Tomilea Allison

TOMILEA ALLISON, Mayor
City of Bloomington

ATTEST:

Patricia Williams

PATRICIA WILLIAMS, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution requests that the City inform property owners and residents in advance of the Council action to annex their properties.

Signed copies to:
Controller
Legal