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RESOLUTION 90-1

TO REQUEST THAT THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON PROCURE RECYCLED AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND MATERIALS AND TO DISCOURAGE PURCHASE OF NON-RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

WHEREAS, the United States is in the midst of a national crisis regarding the disposal of its solid waste materials; and

WHEREAS, this crisis is particularly acute in Bloomington and in Monroe County due to the short life expectancy of the Monroe County Landfill; and

WHEREAS, the recycling of solid waste and the use of such recycled materials are universally believed to be partial solutions to the problem; and

WHEREAS, the procurement of recycled and partially recycled materials further encourages recycling by creating market demand for such materials; and

WHEREAS, it is a valid role of government to encourage, through leadership and by example, environmentally sound policies and behaviors among the individuals and institutions in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly demonstrated such leadership during the 1989 legislative session by mandating that the State of Indiana procure recycled products whenever such products are available and it is economically feasible to do so and;

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington Environmental Commission passed a resolution on May 18th, 1989 urging the City of Bloomington to procure recycled paper for use by all municipal offices;

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

The Common Council of the City of Bloomington hereby urges the City of Bloomington and all its departments to procure recycled and recyclable materials whenever it is environmentally sound and economically feasible to do so. In particular the City should use only recycled oil in its vehicles, recycled paper for its stationery, reports, and in its photocopying machines and should not procure or use styrofoam products.

The Common Council further requests that a report concerning these efforts be made to the Council at its first regular meeting in March, 1990.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 17 day of January, 1990.

Iris F. Kiesling

Iris Kiesling, President
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 17 day of January, 1990.

Tomilea Allison

TOMILEA ALLISON, Mayor
City of Bloomington

ATTEST:

Patricia Williams

PATRICIA WILLIAMS, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution, co-sponsored by Councilmembers Service and Kiesling, urges the City of Bloomington to purchase recycled and recyclable materials.

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