

Encomium for Public Works Coordinator John Freeman

WHEREAS, John Freeman has been a significant figure in the administration of the City of Bloomington since April 15, 1976 when he was hired as Assistant Director of Personnel; and

WHEREAS, John's abilities were early recognized and he was quickly promoted to Director of Personnel; and

WHEREAS, John has served for several years as a member of the Board of Public Safety, where he helped ensure coordination between the Police and Fire Departments and the rest of the City; and

WHEREAS, during the great blizzard of 1978, when most City employees were happily confined to their homes, John, being aware that a few employees had been forced out into the storm in order that the streets remain clear, order prevail, and utilities services continue, did himself brave the storm to work side-by-side with those employees; and

WHEREAS, his capacity as leader had so been demonstrated that he was named to head all the Public Works Departments; and

WHEREAS, as Public Works Coordinator he has been responsible for the granting of millions of State and Federal dollars to Bloomington to improve streets, curbs, buses, traffic signals, street signs, railroad crossings, landscaping, storm sewers, public buildings---indeed, the entire physical structure of our City; and

WHEREAS, east will meet west in the near future through the Third Street underpass, which was brought from grant proposal to reality by John; and

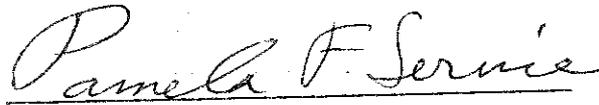
WHEREAS, his clear principles, his capacity to listen, his balance, his clarity of thought, his objectivity, his even temper, and his sense of humor are characteristics which are honored by all of those who have worked with John; and

WHEREAS, as politicians we are sensitive to the fact that John Freeman is related to one-half of the voters in Monroe County and is a close personal friend of the other half;

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

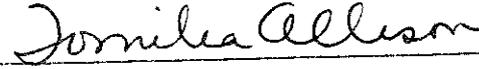
The Council and the Mayor of Bloomington express their gratitude to John Freeman for his years of dedicated service and their pleasure that he will remain a contributing member of our community, now from the private sector.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington upon this first day of June, 1983.



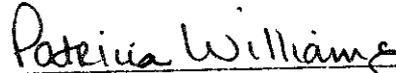
Pamela Service, President Pro-Tem  
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this first day of June, 1983.



Tomilea Allison, Mayor  
City of Bloomington

ATTEST:



Patricia Williams,  
City Clerk

