RESOLUTION 16-14

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON OF THE STATE OF INDIANA STATING ITS SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF UNITED STATES BICYCLE ROUTE (USBR) 235

- WHEREAS, bicycle tourism is a growing industry in North America, presently contributing approximately \$47 billion dollars a year nationally to the economies of communities that provide facilities for said tourism; and
- WHEREAS, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) has designated a corridor spur in southern Indiana to be developed as United States Bicycle Route (USBR) 235; and
- WHEREAS, the Bloomington Bicycle Club (BBC), in cooperation with the Indiana Department of Transportation and other stakeholders, has proposed a specific route to be designated as USBR 235, a map of which is herein incorporated into this resolution by reference; and
- WHEREAS, the proposed USBR 235 traverses the City of Bloomington, is expected to provide a benefit to local residents and businesses, and is supported by the City of Bloomington Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington has duly considered said proposed route and determined it to be a suitable route through the City and desires that the route be formally designated so that it can be appropriately mapped and signed, thereby promoting bicycle tourism in the Greater Bloomington Community.

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

SECTION 1. The City of Bloomington hereby expresses its approval and support for the development of USBR 235 and requests that the appropriate government officials take action to officially designate the route accordingly as soon as possible.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this //o day of //ovember____, 2016.

ANDY RUFF, President Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk City of Bloomington

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SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 21st day of Nov

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JOHN HAMILTON, Mayor City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution supports the development of United States Bicycle Route (USBR) 235. USBR 235 is a spur of USBR 35, which is a designated bicycle route running from Michigan through Indiana to Kentucky. This 100-mile spur would connect Indianapolis to Columbus, Indiana, and run through Monroe County and the City of Bloomington along the way. The resolution is being sought by the Bloomington Bicycle Club and is supported by the City's Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Commission.