AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA.

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Indiana:

Section 1. There is hereby established the Human Relations Commission of the City of Bloomington, which Commission shall consist of 12 citizen members, the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, and a member of the Common Council of the City of Bloomington. The citizen members of the Commission shall be chosen so as to be representative of the various racial, religious, ethnic, socio-economic and political groups of the City of Bloomington.

Section 2. Six of the citizen members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor. Six of the citizen members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington. A member of the Common Council of the City of Bloomington shall be selected by the Common Council to serve on the Commission. The Mayor of the City of Bloomington, by virture of his office, shall be a member of the Commission.

Section 3. Of the original appointments made to the Commission, three of those selected by the Mayor and three of those selected by the Council shall serve through the 1st day of March, 1966. All other appointments shall serve through the 1st day of March, 1967. All appointments made by the Mayor and the Council thereafter shall serve terms of two years beginning on the first day of March after their appointment. No appointee shall be eligible to serve more than three consective terms.

Section 4. The Commission shall select from its members a Chairman and a Secretary and such other officers as it may require and such officers shall serve terms of one year. The Commission shall determine its rules of procedure and schedule of meetings. Special meetings may be called by the Mayor of the City of Bloomington or the Chairman of the Commission by delivering notices of special meeting in writing to members of the Commission not less than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the time of the holding of such meeting. Each calendar year the Commission shall be required to hold at least one public meeting.

Section 5. Duties - The Commission shall with discretion and utmost fairness to all concerned:

- (a) Advise persons and groups in such ways as may be expected to prevent inequalities which appear to be due to membership in minority groups in such areas as employment, housing, education, recreation, public accommodation, and law enforcement.
- (b) Promote fact finding studies and surveys, hold hearings, and furnish information and advice to the City of Bloomington and any other suitable agencies as may be appropriate.
- (c) Receive, investigate, and seek to resolve by voluntary agreement indications and complaints of unfair practices. In instances of failure to attain satisfactory agreements involving justified complaints, the Commission may file such complaints with the appropriate local, state, or federal agency.

Section 6. The Commission shall be provided by the City of Bloomington with necessary secretarial help, supplies, and available information for the fulfillment of its duties.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, promulgation, and publication in accordance with the law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL of the City of Bloomington, Indiana, upon the 4th day of March, 1965.

JOHN H. HOOKEN, . PRESIDING OFFICER

Attest:

HOWARD A. YOUNG, CLERK-TREASURER

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington upon the 5th day of March, 1965, at the hour of 9:00 o'clock A.M.

HOWARD A. YOUNG, CHERK-TREASURER

This Ordinance Approved and Signed by me upon the 5th day of March, 1965, at the hour of 9:00 o'clock, A.M.

JOHN H. HOOKER, JR., MAYOR