

RESOLUTION NO. 73-39

WHEREAS, the Environmental Quality and Conservation Commission has found that Lake Monroe furnishes more than 70% of Bloomington's water supply and,

WHEREAS, current sewage discharge into the North Fork of Salt Creek by the City of Nashville flows into Lake Monroe and,

WHEREAS, numerous private and public individual treatment plants discharge sewage into Lake Monroe and,

WHEREAS, the life and quality of Lake Monroe is being seriously endangered by the current effluent input and,

WHEREAS, the effect of minimum standards of secondary treatment of effluent discharged into Lake Monroe upon sustaining Lake Monroe as a suitable source of water supply for all or part of four counties has not been resolved, and

WHEREAS, United States agencies and Indiana agencies have spent and have budgeted large sums of public monies for fish and wildlife developments and for wildlife refuges and,

WHEREAS, the U.S. Forest Service has proposed the establishment of a Wilderness area adjacent to Lake Monroe and,

WHEREAS, the developmental projects adjacent to Lake Monroe are of a highly controversial nature and,

WHEREAS, the Region V Administrative Director of the Environmental Protection Agency has within his jurisdictional powers the ability to request a full and public hearing before issuing a NPDES (National Pollution Discharge Elimination System) permit,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Indiana, requests the Administrative Director of Region V of the Environmental Protection Agency to hold full and public hearings before issuing each and every NPDES permit to discharge effluent into Lake Monroe or into Salt Creek above or below the Lake Monroe Dam.


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