

RESOLUTION 93-32

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE
NORTH AMERICAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (NAFTA)

WHEREAS, city government is established to promote the well being of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) would create a trade relationship with Mexico detrimental to American workers; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement, if approved by Congress, would accelerate the loss of American jobs to foreign production sites, thereby further burdening the American economy; and

WHEREAS, the local community has already witnessed jobs relocated to Mexico, such as Cleo Paper, Thomson Consumer Electronics, Otis Elevator, and Princeton Packaging; and

WHEREAS, the White River Central Labor Council states that "The passage of NAFTA will accelerate plant closings, phase-downs, and lower the standard of living for workers dependent upon wages in Bloomington, and thus put increased pressure on human service agencies."; and

WHEREAS, this NAFTA will be harmful to our environment;

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

The Common Council does hereby urge the rejection of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) for the reasons expressed herein, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the President of the United States and the Indiana Congressional Delegation.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this ____ day of _____, 1993.

JACK W. HOPKINS, President
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this ____ day of _____, 1993.

TOMILEA ALLISON, Mayor
City of Bloomington

ATTEST:

PATRICIA WILLIAMS, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution calls for the Common Council to urge the rejection of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).