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RESOLUTION 93-33

TO URGE THAT NEWLY RENOVATED OR CONSTRUCTED PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS COMPLY WITH THE ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990

- WHEREAS, in 1990, Congress passed the Americans with Disabilities Act; and
- WHEREAS, the ADA's purpose is to provide "a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities;" and
- WHEREAS, the city of Bloomington completely supports the purpose of the ADA; and
- WHEREAS, to fulfill that purpose, the ADA requires that newly-constructed and newly-renovated public accommodations meet strict accessibility requirements; and
- WHEREAS, only if builders, architects and providers of public accommodations comply with the accessibility requirements will disabled citizens have equal access to public accommodations; and
- WHEREAS, neither the Bloomington nor the Indiana building codes currently provide the degree of accessibility that is provided by the ADA; and
- WHEREAS, the conflicting laws create confusion for builders, architects and providers of public accommodations and limit full accessibility for disabled citizens;

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

The Common Council urges all builders, architects and providers of public accommodations to learn about and to comply with the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and urges the State of Indiana to incorporate these accessibility requirements into the state building code as soon as possible.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1993.

*J. W. Hopkins*  
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JACK W. HOPKINS, President,  
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 21<sup>st</sup> day of October, 1993.

*Tomilea Allison*  
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TOMILEA ALLISON, Mayor  
City of Bloomington

ATTEST:

*Patricia Williams*  
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PATRICIA WILLIAMS, Clerk  
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This resolution urges all builders, architects and providers of public accommodations to learn about and comply with the handicap accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and urges the state of Indiana to incorporate these accessibility requirements into the state building code as soon as possible.

Signed copies to:

Barbara McKinney - HRC  
Planning  
Engineering  
Code Enforcement  
State Legislators  
M.C. Commissioners  
M.C. Plan Dept.