

RESOLUTION 81-21

To Express Support for Locating a State Department
of Corrections Work Release Center in Bloomington

- WHEREAS, the State Department of Corrections would like to locate a Rehabilitation and Counseling Center in Bloomington to provide housing and counseling for both state and local inmates admitted to the program for rehabilitation; and
- WHEREAS, Work Release Centers allow inmates to live and work in local communities, thus easing their transition back to normal life, and the Centers have been found to be truly constructive rehabilitation facilities; and
- WHEREAS, the Center will be accepting only misdemeanants and first-time non-violent felony offenders, and experience has shown that this group has a very high success rate in terms of rehabilitation and a very low rate for committing criminal offenses; and
- WHEREAS, Work Release Centers ease the economic burden on state and local governments by reducing the costs of supervising inmates and by lowering the amount of benefits paid to inmates and their families since the inmates are gainfully employed; and
- WHEREAS, a Work Release Center will be valuable to Monroe County by creating jobs for local residents and by permitting twenty-five local inmates to remain in the community, and thus supporting themselves and their families while retaining their jobs; and
- WHEREAS, all of the Monroe County judges support the concept of a Work Release Center in Bloomington; and
- WHEREAS, Bloomington prides itself on being an open, caring community, and the City's previous experience with a Work Release Center was very positive;

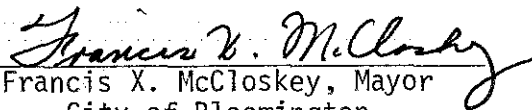
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

The Common Council and Mayor of the City of Bloomington express their support for locating a State Department of Corrections Work Release Center in Bloomington.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 15th day of July, 1981.


Alfred I. Towell, President
Bloomington Common Council

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 16th day of July, 1981.


Francis X. McCloskey, Mayor
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

The State Department of Corrections wants to locate a Work Release Center in Bloomington, and this resolution represents the Council's support for locating it here.