

Sponsors: Janet Venecz
Councilwoman at Large

ORDINANCE NO. **9668**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 8242 AND AMENDED ORDINANCE 8416 OF THE CITY OF HAMMOND AS IT PERTAINS TO THE COMMON COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

WHEREAS, the Hammond Common Council passed Ordinance No. 8242 on March 3, 2000, establishing the Hammond Common Council Scholarship Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Hammond Common Council additionally passed Amended Ordinance No. 8416 on May 13, 2002, which clarified confusion regarding the administration of the Scholarship Fund; and

WHEREAS, Hammond Common Council finds that the Scholarship Fund ordinance should be amended further to more clearly define eligible student participants; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Hammond, Indiana that the Common Council Scholarship Fund be amended as follows with the amendments appearing in bold:

§ 36.145 CREATION.

There is hereby created a fund to be known as the Hammond Common Council Fund. This fund shall be used for the sole purpose of awarding one-time scholarships to Hammond resident graduates of Hammond high schools, **including all accredited public, private, parochial, and charter schools within Hammond city limits.**

§ 36.146 DIVISION OF DONATION BETWEEN 2 FUNDS.

The donation shall be evenly divided between 2 funds, as follows:

(A) The sum of \$150,000 shall be invested in a permanent fund. No monies shall be withdrawn from the permanent fund during the first ten years so that this Fund, with accumulated income, shall be available for future scholarships.

(B) The sum of \$150,000 shall be invested in a pass-through fund which shall be available for scholarships.

§ 36.147 APPROPRIATION OF INCOME.

There shall be appropriated annually from the pass-through fund, and, after ten years from the income in the permanent fund, an amount to be used for scholarships as set forth in § 36.145. Each scholarship shall be in the amount of \$1,000.

§ 36.148 APPLICATION TO RECEIVE FUNDS; REQUIREMENTS.

(A) Any qualified Hammond resident graduating senior from any 1 of the Hammond high schools as set forth in § 36.145, may apply for a one-time scholarship that will be awarded annually.

(B) Applications will be made available at each participating high school and shall require the following information:

(1) Proof of residency in the city;

(2) Proof of attendance at a Hammond high school;

(3) Proof of full-time status as a student at an accredited college or university or proof of acceptance to the same for a 2- or 4-year degree program;

(4) Certification of achieving a grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale (or similar achievement on different GPA scale); and

(5) Any other information which may be required by the Common Council.

(C) All one-time scholarship checks shall be made payable to the college/university and the student.

§ 36.149 SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE.

A special committee to be known as the Scholarship Committee shall be established.

(A) The President of the Common Council shall annually appoint three (3) members to the Scholarship Committee.

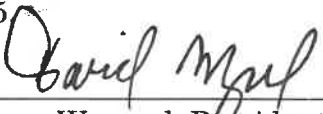
(B) The Committee shall meet immediately after the effective date of this subchapter to establish the guidelines for the year 2000 and thereafter shall meet annually in December to establish the amount of income available for distribution as scholarships for the following year and to review the criterion utilized for distribution.

(C) The Committee shall report its recommendations to the Common Council at the first regular meeting of the Common Council after the effective date of this subchapter and thereafter at the first regular meeting of the Common Council

the following January and the Common Council shall by roll call vote approve the recommendations.


BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Common Council, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon signing by the President of the Common Council and approval by the Mayor, and Publication as provided by law.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY the Common Council of the City of Hammond, Indiana, this 24th day of March, 2025



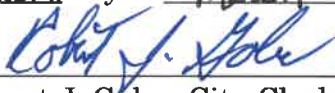
Dave Woerpel, President
Hammond Common Council

ATTEST:




Robert J. Golec, City Clerk
City of Hammond, Indiana

PRESENTED BY ME, the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Hammond, Indiana, to the Mayor, for approval and signature, this 25th day of March, 2025.




Robert J. Golec, City Clerk
City of Hammond, Indiana

The foregoing Ordinance No. 91668 consisting of two (2) typewritten pages, including this page, was APPROVED AND SIGNED BY ME, the undersigned Mayor of the City of Hammond, Indiana, this 25th day of March, 2025.



Thomas M. McDermott, Jr., Mayor
City of Hammond, Indiana

Approved PASSED by the Common Council on the 24th day of March, 2025 and by the Mayor on the 25th day of March, 2025.



Robert J. Golec, City Clerk,
Hammond, Indiana