

**RESOLUTION NO. R29**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE DONATION OF SURPLUS HISTORIC CITY  
PROPERTY FOR PURPOSES OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

**WHEREAS**, Indiana Code 5-22-22-1(c) 21 permits a governmental body to dispose of historic property to a nonprofit corporation which shall take action for the preservation of the historic property; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 1955, Nickel Plate Railroad donated to the City of Hammond a 1922 locomotive engine (#624) with the provision that the City will protect and maintain the engine so that it will not become unsightly, and

**WHEREAS**, on March 28, 1955, by means of Resolution 3058-R this donation was accepted by the City of Hammond and the locomotive engine was placed in a City Park, across from the Hammond Civic Center; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1955 the condition of the locomotive engine has deteriorated and it has become unsightly; and

**WHEREAS**, The Fort Wayne Railroad Historical Society, Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation which specializes in preserving and restoring railroad equipment, has expressed interest in acquiring, restoring and displaying engine #624 and wishes to display this engine in Fort Wayne, Indiana at Headwaters Junction; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fort Wayne Railroad Historical Society, Inc., will disassemble, remove and transport engine #624 for full mechanical restoration at no cost the citizens of Hammond; and

**WHEREAS**, Once restored, said engine will be named "*City of Hammond*;"

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Common Council of the City of Hammond that Engine #624, the steam locomotive located across from the Hammond Civic Center be donated as surplus historical property to the Fort Wayne Railroad Historical Society, Inc., a non-profit preservation organization for purposes of relocation, restoration and preservation for future generations.

RESOLVED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016.

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Janet Venecz, President /s/  
Hammond Common Council

ATTEST:  
ROBERT J. GOLEC, City Clerk /s/

PRESENTED BY ME, the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Hammond to the Mayor said City for approval on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016.

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ROBERT J. GOLEC, City Clerk /s/

The foregoing Resolution No. R29 Consisting of two (2) typewritten pages, including this page, approved by the Mayor on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016.

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THOMAS M. MCDERMOTT, JR., Mayor /s/  
City of Hammond, Indiana

PASSED by the Common Council on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016.

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ROBERT J. GOLEC, City Clerk /s/