RESOLUTION PK23-01

"A RESOLUTION OF THE RAYMORE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD, EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO ANY PROPOSED FUTURE SOLID WASTE OR DEMOLITION MATERIAL LANDFILL, OR ANY SOLID WASTE OR DEMOLITION MATERIAL TRANSFER STATION BEING LOCATED ON THE CITY'S SHARED NORTHERN BORDER WITH THE CITY OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI."

WHEREAS, the City of Raymore has exposed an orchestrated effort to covertly begin the development of a harmful landfill without consideration of the well-being of the children, homeowners and businesses in its immediate proximity on land adjacent to the current northern border of Raymore, Missouri, bounded by 155th Street, 150 Highway, Horridge Road and Peterson Road, within the city limits of Kansas City, Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, the location of a landfill at the proposed site is within close proximity to Raymore parks and recreation areas and would have long-term or permanent serious, destructive and damaging impacts on those spaces and the people who use them; and,

WHEREAS, parks and recreation promotes health and wellness, improving the physical and mental health of people who live near parks; and,

WHEREAS, parks and recreation promotes time spent in nature, which positively impacts mental health by increasing cognitive performance and well-being, and alleviating illnesses such as depression, attention deficit disorders, and Alzheimers; and,

WHEREAS, parks and recreation encourages physical activities by providing space for sports, hiking trails and many other activities designed to promote active lifestyles; and,

WHEREAS, parks and recreation is fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and,

WHEREAS, our parks and natural recreation areas ensure the ecological beauty of our community and provide a place for children and adults to connect with nature and recreate outdoors; and,

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Board exists for the purpose of overseeing the improvement, care and control of the City's parks and recreation facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Raymore Parks and Recreation Board strongly opposes the consideration of a landfill or transfer station in this location.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PARKS AND RECREATION **BOARD OF THE CITY OF RAYMORE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:**

<u>Section 1.</u> This Resolution established that the Board has publicly opposed and condemned the threat of a landfill near our City's parks and recreation areas.

Section 2. The Parks and Recreation Board fully supports the Raymore City Council and City Staff in opposition to the proposed future solid waste or demolition material landfill or transfer station.

DULY READ AND PASSED THIS 28TH DAY OF MARCH, 2023 BY THE **FOLLOWING VOTE:**

Member Clark Aye Member Collier **Absent** Member Cooper Aye Member Manson Aye Member Mapes Ave Member Scott Absent Member Trautman Aye

ATTEST:

Nathan Musteen, Director

APPROVE:

Steve Trautman, Chair

Date of Signature