## RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Wabash County government's building, Memorial Hall, is not an ideal facility, even with major improvements, to house an effective public museum, and

Whereas, the Wabash County government does not have additional funds to make improvements in Memorial Hall, and

Whereas, the Wabash County Historical Museum, presently housed in Memorial Hall, could benefit by being operated by a separate not-for-profit corporation with its own board of directors, and

Whereas, the Museum Committee, appointed by the Wabash County Commissioners, would like to try to raise funds from sources other than the Wabash County government, to relocate the Wabash County Historical Museum to a ground-floor facility on the fringe of downtown Wabash,

Now, therefore, the Wabash County Commissioners invite the Museum Committee in 1987 to:

 prepare and present to the Wabash County Commissioners for approval proposed articles of incorporation and bylaws for a new not-for-profit corporation, whose purpose would be

> to preserve and exhibit materials and to engage in research and educational activities about the history of Wabash County,

to which the Wabash County government would transfer the total operating control and contents of the Wabash County Historical Museum.

- solicit pledges of capital and endowment funds including deferred gifts, to permit the Historical Museum to be relocated in facilities other than Memorial Hall and become financially and legally independent of the Wabash County government.
- 3. have the Historical Museum remain in Memorial Hall, under a lease agreement between the new Museum not-for-profit corporation and the Wabash County government, if it is not feasible to relocate the Museum to other facilities, in which case the Wabash County government would maintain financial support at its present level in 1987 and may provide incremental increases above these levels in future years.

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