

**LAPORTE COUNTY COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION NO.2024-01**

**OPPOSING THE REDUCTION IN STAFFING AT THE COAST GUARD STATION  
MICHIGAN CITY AND MAKING SAID STATION A "PART-TIME" STATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Coast Guard Station Michigan City (hereinafter referred to as "CGS Michigan City:"), has been in operation since 1888 and is located at the mouth of Trail Creek at 10 on the Lake, Michigan City, Indiana; and

**WHEREAS**, the CGS Michigan City missions include search and rescue, law enforcement, homeland security, marine environmental protection, and training and rescue operations on the ice in the winter months; and

**WHEREAS**, due to workforce shortfalls, LaPorte County has learned that the CGS Michigan City is planning to become a part-time facility, with the exception of weekends, before the next boating season due to the reduction in staffing; and

**WHEREAS**, as a matter of health and safety and to protect the residents and visitors of the LaPorte County Council reasonably believes that the CGS Michigan City location should not become a part-time facility; and

**WHEREAS**, the LaPorte County Council believes it would be prudent to keep this Station staffed full-time year-round because of its critical positioning on Lake Michigan and the considerable distance to other Coast Guard stations in Chicago, Illinois and St. Joseph, Michigan; and

**WHEREAS**, the LaPorte County Council urges the Coast Guard to reconsider its position with the CGS Michigan City location and keep this location as a full-time facility at all times.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the LaPorte County Council as follows:

1. The aforementioned "Whereas" sections are incorporated herein as if fully set forth herein.
2. The LaPorte County Council opposes the reduction in staffing at the CGS Michigan City and the Coast Guard's intention to make the CGS Michigan City a part-time facility. The LaPorte County Council reasonably believes that making the station a part-time facility may have an adverse impact on the health and safety of LaPorte County, residents and visitors.
3. The LaPorte County Council requests that CGS Michigan City remain a full-time station.

4. The Auditor is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the following:

- a. Coast Guard Station Michigan City  
10 on the Lake  
Michigan City, Indiana 46360
- b. Congressman Frank J. Mrvan  
7895 Broadway, suite A  
Merrillville, Indiana 46410
- c. U.S. Coast Guard  
Office of Governmental & Public Affairs (CG-0922)  
2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE  
Washington, D.C. 20593
- d. Senator Michael Braun  
115 N. Pennsylvania Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46204
- e. Senator Todd C. Young  
251 N. Illinois Street – Ste. 120  
Indianapolis, IN 46204
- f. Governor Eric Joseph Holcomb  
200 W. Washington Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46204
- g. State Representative Patricia Boy  
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- h. State Representative Jim Pressel  
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- i. State Senator Mike Bohacek  
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- j. State Senator Rodney Pol  
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- k. Congressman Rudy Yakym  
2410 Grape Rd., Suite 2A  
Mishawaka, IN 46545

Adopted this 8 day of January, 2024.

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