

**LA PORTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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, La Porte 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 La Porte County, the Board of Commissioners reasonably believes that the CGS Michigan City location should not become a part-time facility; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners 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 La Porte County Board of Commissioners 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 Board of Commissioners as follows:

1. The aforementioned "Whereas" sections are incorporated herein as if fully set forth herein.
2. The La Porte County Board of Commissioners 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 La Porte County Board of Commissioners reasonably believes that making the station a part-time facility may have an adverse impact on the health and safety of La Porte County, residents and visitors.

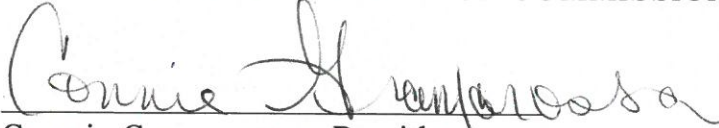
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3. The La Porte County Board of Commissioners requests that CGS Michigan City remain a full-time station.
4. The Auditor is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the following:
 - a. Coast Guard Station Michigan City
10 on the Lake
Michigan 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
200 W. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204
 - h. State Representative Jim Pressel
200 W. Washington Street
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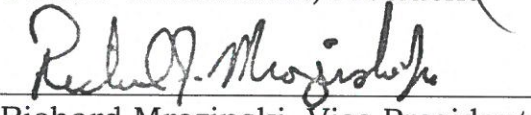
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Adopted this 17th day of January, 2024.

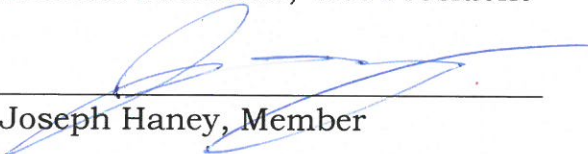
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Attest:



Timothy J. Stabosz, Auditor

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