

BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION ADVISING THE JACKSON COUNTY LEGISLATURE THAT THE INDEPENDENCE CITY COUNCIL DOES NOT SUPPORT THE REZONING OF THE FORMER JOHN K. STARK SCHOOL ALLOWING A FEDERAL HALFWAY HOUSE TO BE LOCATED AT THAT SITE.

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2019, the Jackson County Land Use Committee approved Ordinance No. 5200 to be brought forth to the Jackson County Legislature on March 4, 2019; and,

WHEREAS, Jackson County Ordinance No. 5200 would rezone 1624 Blue Ridge Boulevard (formerly called the John K. Stark School); 4.4 acre lot, from District B (Two Family Dwelling) and District LBp (Local Business-Planned) to the entire property revised as District LBp (Local Business-Planned); and,

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Jackson County Legislature to allow a Federal Bureau of Prisons halfway house which would house approximately 115 men and 15 women; and,

WHEREAS, this location is on the western boundary of the City of Independence and would be a detriment to the businesses and neighborhoods of western Independence; and,

WHEREAS, the Independence City Council has a duty to every citizen to create a safe neighborhood and protect home values; and,

WHEREAS, the information provided is insufficient on how prisoners will be able to easily access public transportation; and a proposal was received for prisoners to be transported to the Metro Transit Center located at Noland and Truman which would be detrimental to the surrounding neighborhood and businesses; and,

WHEREAS, the Independence City Council is opposed to this site functioning as a halfway house for federal prisoners;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council of Independence, Missouri does not support the rezoning of the former John K. Stark school allowing a federal halfway house to be located at that site.

PASSED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2019 BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

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Presiding Officer of the City Council  
of the City of Independence, Missouri

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

APPROVED - FORM AND LEGALITY:

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City Counselor

REVIEWED BY:

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City Manager