RESOLUTION NO. 2008

TOWN OF MUNSTER, INDIANA

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE TOWN OF MUNSTER'S REQUEST/DESIRE FOR THE LOCATION OF THE MUNSTER/DYER MAIN STREET STATION AND PARKING SPACES TO SUPPORT THE EXTENSION AND IMPROVEMENT OF COMMUTER RAIL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Munster is the municipal legislative body of the unit; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Munster, pursuant to I.C. § 36-1-7-1, et. seq. entered into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between and amongst several Lake County governmental entities with the purpose of providing resources to support the extension and improvement of the commuter rail services provided by the Northern Indiana Commuter Transit District; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement, the Town of Munster committed resources for the extension and improvement of commuter rail services in Lake County, Indiana, with the belief that the provision of those services would not impact existing residential development in Munster, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Indiana Commuter Transit District has proposed two alternatives for the location of the Munster/Dyer Main Street Station: (1) the east side of the existing rail line, north of Main Street (in the Community Estates subdivision); and (2) the west side of the existing rail line and north of a proposed extension of Main Street (south of the West Lakes subdivision); and

WHEREAS, it is the desire/preference of the Town Council of the Town of Munster to locate the Munster/Dyer Main Street Station west of the train tracks and north of Main Street (south of the existing West Lakes subdivision) because that location will: (1) minimize any negative impact on the surrounding neighborhoods and proposed residential development; (2) enhance development opportunities; (3) increase the tax base, and (4) promote needed infrastructure upgrades; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Munster that it expresses its desire/preference for the proposed Munster/Dyer Main Street Station to be located west of the existing rail line and north of Main Street (south of the existing West Lakes subdivision) as shown on NICTD West Lake Corridor Project Draft Conceptual Design Plans, Project I.D. 7801 01, Page 18 (Exhibit "A").

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Munster, Indiana, this 25th day of April, 2016, by a vote of ____ in favor and ____ opposed.

John P. Reed, President

David F. Shafer Clerk-Treasurer