TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA

RESOLUTION NO. 12 - 14 - 920

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF A FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BY THE LAKE HILLS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT IN UNINCORPORATED ST. JOHN TOWNSHIP.

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, has been informed and advised that certain entities, including members of the Lake Hills Volunteer Fire Department, have proposed the establishment of a statutory fire protection district in unincorporated St. John Township; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John has reviewed the consequences of the establishment of a statutory fire protection district in unincorporated St. John Township; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John has reviewed the level, degree and quality of fire protection service provided to the residents of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John has reviewed the fire protection services available to the resident of the Town of St. John, as well as unincorporated St. John Township, by virtue of the quality of services provided by the St. John, Dyer, Schererville and Lake Hills Fire Departments by virtue of the quality of fire protection services and existence of mutual aid agreements between the named fire departments; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of St. John has determined, after its review of the consequences of the establishment of a statutory fire protection district in unincorporated St. John Township, as well as the current fire protection services available to the residents of the Town of St. John and unincorporated St. John Township, that such establishment will not be advantageous to the residents of the Town of St. John, and further, that such establishment may adversely affect the residents of the Town of St. John.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA:

<u>SECTION ONE</u>: That the Town of St. John opposes the proposed establishment of a fire protection district in unincorporated St. John Township at this time, as sought and pursued by the Lake Hills Volunteer Fire Department, or any related entity or entities, or its membership or representatives. SECTION TWO: That in the event a formal proposal and petition for the establishment of a fire protection district is filed with the designated unit of County Government, as required by applicable law, the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, will take all available legal procedures to oppose and remonstrate against such proposal.

PASSED AND RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, AT A PUBLIC MEETING THIS 14/2 DAY OF <u>Manmber</u>, 1992.

TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY INDIANA, TOWN COUNCIL

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