

## DEKALB COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION NUMBER 2015 R- 24

## A RESOLUTION REGARDING DISPLAY ITEMS IN COUNTY BUILDING by the DEKALB COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the County is requested from time to time to display certain items of historical or local interest in a building owned by DeKalb County, Indiana a municipal body politic; and

WHEREAS, there are times when it is not clear if the donor intended the item or items to be on loan to the County or a permanent donation to the County; and

WHEREAS, there have been times when an item has been left for a very long time and it is unclear to the County whether the donor intended to make a permanent gift or make a loan; and

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Commissioners desire to make a determination for all to understand.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that any item accepted by the DeKalb County Commissioners on behalf of DeKalb County for display in a County building shall be within the sole discretion of the DeKalb County Commissioners.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that if the donor does not make clear from the outset whether the gift is a loan for display purposes or a permanent gift for display purposes, any items accepted for display by the County that are left for a period of five (5) years or more with the County, there shall be a presumption that such item or items were an outright gift with transfer of ownership to DeKalb County, Indiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any item intended as a loan that is to be left for a period in excess of five (5) years, such loan must be documented in a written agreement between DeKalb County, Indiana by and through its Board of County Commissioners, and the donor, with said written agreement to be maintained in the permanent records of the Auditor of DeKalb County, Indiana. If there is no such written agreement, the County shall acquire ownership of said item or items on the fifth year anniversary date of the acceptance of said item or items for display.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as required by law.

DULY ENACTED ON THE 16 DAY OF NOVEMER, 2015.

COMMISSIONERS:

Donald D. Grogg, President

BY:

Randall J. Deetz, Vice President

Attested By:

Jan Bauman, Auditor of DeKalb County, Indiana