

STATE OF INDIANA ) IN THE MONROE CIRCUIT COURT  
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COUNTY OF MONROE ) CAUSE NO. 53C06-2203-PL-000509

COUNTY RESIDENTS AGAINST ANNEXATION, INC.,  
an Indiana not for profit corporation,  
Representative of Those in the Territories Sought to be  
Annexed; DON CREEK, HARRY FERRIS,  
WILLIAM MANWARING, DAN DOYLE, CATHERIN  
DENSFORD, SCOTT S. LOMAN, ETHEL ANN SATLER,  
MARILYN J. DANIELSON, DEAN E. HOKE, BERT F.  
PHILLIPS, SUNNY SLATER, HOLLY HILL, DEBORAH  
REED for REED QUARRIES, INC., THOMAS W. McGHIE,  
RICKY FERGUSON, THOMAS E. OSBORN, JIMMY JOHNSON,  
RICHARD PEACH, KAREN LAUCELLA, BARBARA  
LEININGER, CINDI LIVINGSTON, RHONDA GRAY,  
ARLLYS PAPKE, JOANNA HAHN; and OTHER TERRITORY 1A AND 1B OWNERS OF  
LAND,  
Remonstrators/Appellants/Petitioners,

vs.

THE COMMON COUNCIL of the City of Bloomington,  
Monroe County, Indiana,  
CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, Monroe County, Indiana,  
JOHN HAMILTON in his official capacity as  
Mayor of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, and  
CATHERINE SMITH in her official capacity as Auditor  
of Monroe County, Indiana,  
Respondents.

**AFFIDAVIT OF RICHARD PEACH**

COMES NOW Richard Peach, and being duly sworn upon his oath, states as follows:

1. My name is Richard Peach.
2. I am an adult resident of Monroe County, Indiana, within the Territory Sought to be Annexed by the City of Bloomington, Indiana designated as Area 1B.
3. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this Affidavit.



4. The City of Bloomington, Indiana advertised a public meeting to be held on August 4, 2021, at the Showers Building concerning the City's plan to expand the City and annex new areas.

5. I was, and still am, opposed to the City's annexation plans and wanted to attend the August 4, 2021 meeting to speak against annexation.

6. As I attempted to enter the Shower's building on August 4, 2021 to attend the advertised meeting, I was met by a City of Bloomington, Indiana employee who informed me that the meeting had been changed due to concerns over COVID-19 and that I would have to join the meeting from elsewhere via "Zoom."

7. On August 4, 2021, the Monroe County Community School Corporation ("MCCSC") held its first day of school for the fall semester.

8. The MCCSC is the public school district that primarily serves the territory sought to be annexed by the City of Bloomington designated as area 1A and area 1B.

9. The City of Bloomington's August 4, 2021 meeting was scheduled to begin a 3:00 p.m., which is approximately the same time as school children would have been let out of school on their first day of the semester.

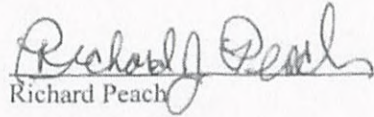
10. I am aware of people who left work early to attempt to attend the meeting and who had to make special arrangements for their school children on the first day of school to attempt to attend the August 4 meeting, the in-person public comment portion of which was canceled due to COVID-19.

11. I am aware of people who were not able to participate in the August 4, 2021 meeting due to the formatting changes made by the City of Bloomington just prior to the start of the meeting.

12. Further affiant sayeth not.

I AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES FOR PERJURY THAT THE FORGOING  
REPRESENTATIONS ARE TRUE.

Date: 6-2-2022

  
Richard Peach