

To: Bloomington City Common Council  
Mayor John Hamilton

From: County Residents Against Annexation

Date: August 3, 2021

Memorandum for the Record:

County Residents Against Annexation is a group of County residents who are circulating petitions among residents who have been targeted for annexation, especially in those areas without an active group already in existence.

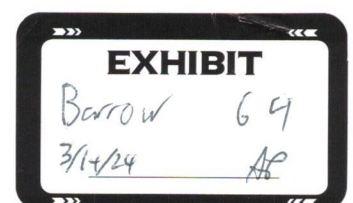
The language we use on our petition is simple: "I intend to file a Remonstrance against Annexation"

Residents who have signed this petition are informing the City of Bloomington that they do not want to be annexed into the City of Bloomington. Here are some of the results of our petition drive:

We have received thousands of signatures across each of the 8 annexation areas. We have not yet had volunteers canvas all neighborhoods or streets, but of the streets we have canvased, the vast majority of them have a 90-98% signage rate.

It should be noted that our petition collection efforts have not ended, and we will continue to have residents sign our petition up until the City Council votes on annexation ordinances. Prior to the City Council's vote, we will provide them with the appropriate information relating to our collection efforts.

County Residents Against Annexation Co-Founders, Rita Barrow, Margaret Clements, and Colby Wicker are willing to meet with any City Public Official who would like to hear more about our collection efforts and the stories we have heard from real people across this community. Those requests may be sent to [StopBloomingtonAnnexation@gmail.com](mailto:StopBloomingtonAnnexation@gmail.com)





In conclusion, we respectfully request that our statistics become part of the public record. Also, after talking with thousands of residents and hearing their public outcry, we humbly request that the City Council votes to remove all eight areas from the enabling legislation for annexation. A speedy resolution of this matter will minimize the anxiety, cost, and time invested by property owners in these areas.

We appreciate your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

County Residents Against Annexation

