

RESOLUTION
OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF URBANA, ILLINOIS
ON THE NEED TO BRING AN IMMEDIATE END TO
UNITED STATES MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

WHEREAS, on May 3, 1971, the City Council of Urbana, deeply concerned about what was happening to this country and its people by the prolongation of the war in Indochina, in a petition to the President and Congress of the United States, called for "measures that would ensure an immediate end to our involvement in the war in Vietnam and the withdrawal of all our military forces not only from that area, but from Cambodia, Laos, and Thailand as well"; and

WHEREAS, the terrible toll of American intervention in the countries of Southeast Asia continues to be felt among our own people; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States alone, under the Constitution, has the power to declare and wage war, and therefore must accept responsibility for its continuance;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED: That the City Council of Urbana, Illinois, again calls upon the President and the Congress, through its members from this area, to act immediately to stop the bombing in Southeast Asia and to withdraw all military forces and material from Southeast Asia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we ask Congress to terminate funds for our military participation in Indochina;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be sent immediately, not only to the appropriate members of Congress -- Senators Charles Percy and Adlai Stevenson, and Representative Edward Madigan -- but also to the President, the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense; and likewise to Governor Daniel Walker of Illinois; and finally

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that with these steps taken a reappraisal be made of our national priorities to the end that all our people can go forward, reunited, in pursuit of those goals set before us over the years by the

men and women who carried forward the vision of what this country might become.

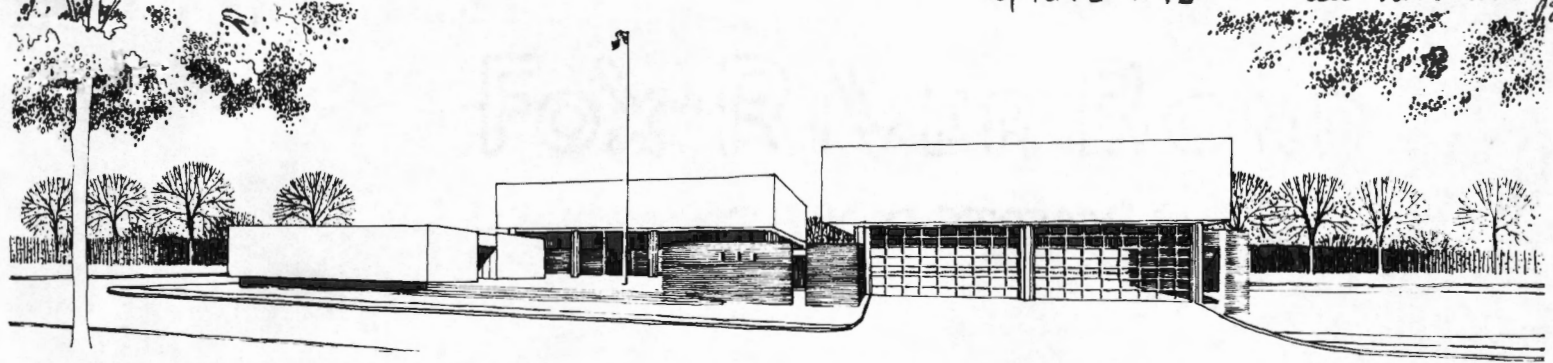
ADOPTED by the City Council of Urbana, Illinois, this 15th day of January, 1973.



Duane Eckerty, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this _____ day of January, 1973.

Charles M. Zipprodt, Mayor



CITY OF URBANA - 400 SOUTH VINE STREET - URBANA ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF: MAYOR CHARLES M. ZIPPRODT

MEMORANDUM

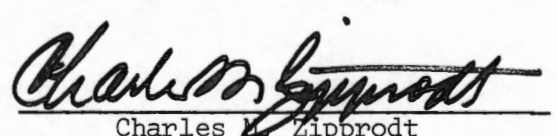
TO: Duane Eckerty, City Clerk
FROM: Mayor Charles M. Zipprodt
DATE: January 16, 1973
SUBJECT: Resolution on Vietnam

The above-mentioned resolution was adopted by the Council at its January 18, 1973, meeting.

All of us are deeply concerned about the protracted involvement of the United States in Southeast Asia. I share with all reasonable people, an abhorance of war under any circumstances. My own personal involvement in prior conflicts has given me a profound understanding of the misery and suffering inflicted upon all people involved either directly or indirectly.

I do not feel that this is a proper action on the part of the corporate authorities of the City of Urbana. I believe that we as individuals may express our concern to the proper, elected and appointed officials, and should do so either publicly or privately as our consciences dictate.

I find no statutory requirement for me to approve or disapprove of this action by the City Council. I return it to you without my signature.


Charles M. Zipprodt

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