

Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

**RESOLUTION #13-01-007**

**RESOLUTION 13-01-017 SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER TRAIL ALSO AS UNITED STATES BICYCLE ROUTE 45**

**WHEREAS**, bicycle tourism is a growing industry in North America, presently contributing approximately \$47 billion dollars a year nationally to the economies of communities that provide facilities for said tourism; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) has designated a corridor along the Mississippi River to be developed as United States Bike Route 45; and

**WHEREAS**, the Minnesota Department of Transportation has convened several public meetings during the previous eighteen months locally and throughout the river's corridor to gather information, review route alternatives and to provide assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Minnesota Department of Transportation in cooperation with road and trail authorities have proposed a specific route to be designated as the Mississippi River Trail (USBR 45), a map of which is herein incorporated into this resolution by reference; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed Mississippi River Trail (USBR 45) traverses through the City of Ramsey and is expected to provide a benefit to local residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Minnesota Department of Transportation will continue to maintain statewide mapping and information regarding Mississippi River Trail (USBR 45), convene meetings and facilitate the resolution of issues and future alignment revisions within the State,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ramsey has duly considered said proposed route and determined it to be a suitable route through the city and desire that the route be formally designated so that it can be appropriately mapped and signed, thereby promoting bicycle tourism locally and throughout Minnesota along the Mississippi River.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAMSEY, ANOKA COUNTY, STATE OF MINNESOTA, as follows:**

The City of Ramsey hereby expresses its approval and support for the development of the Mississippi River Trail (USBR 45) and requests that the appropriate government officials take action to officially designate the route accordingly as soon as possible.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Councilmember \_\_\_\_\_ and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against:

and the following abstained:

and the following were absent:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted by the Ramsey City Council this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 2013.

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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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City Clerk