

BILL NO. _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO CONSULT WITH THE CITY COUNSELOR TO EXPLORE JOINING THE CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT FILED AGAINST JACKSON COUNTY ET AL RELATING TO 2023 PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS.

WHEREAS, a class-action lawsuit has been filed by frustrated property owners claiming the County did not notify some property owners of their assessments by the June 15th deadline set by state statutes, and;

WHEREAS, the lawsuit contends that the defendant’s actions have “resulted in illegal and unlawful increases in the assessed value of real property through Jackson County, thereby threatening class members with imminent harm in the form of unlawful and illegal tax increases”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager is directed to consult with the City Counselor to explore the possibility of joining the Class Action lawsuit previously filed, with the City joining on the grounds of the “arbitrary” nature of the assessment process of the County.

PASSED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2023, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

Presiding Officer of the City Council
of the City of Independence, Missouri

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

City Counselor

REVIEWED BY:

City Manager