

INTRODUCED: 06/29/2009

REFERRED TO: Rules and Public Policy Committee

SPONSOR: Councillors Sanders and Plowman

DIGEST: calls upon the hospitality industry to reduce the negative impact of outsourcing jobs on the community

SOURCE:

Initiated by: Councillor Sanders

Drafted by: Councillor Sanders

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADOPTION:

Subject to approval or veto by Mayor

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:

Adoption and approvals

GENERAL COUNSEL APPROVAL: _____

Date: June 25, 2009

CITY-COUNTY SPECIAL RESOLUTION NO. , 2009

A SPECIAL RESOLUTION calling upon the hospitality industry to reduce the negative impact of outsourcing jobs on the community.

WHEREAS, Marion County taxpayers have already paid \$970 million to subsidize the downtown convention center and stadiums; and

WHEREAS, Marion County taxpayers are now faced with a \$47 million dollar budget shortfall for the downtown convention center and stadiums due to lack of transparency and accountability; and

WHEREAS, the downtown hotels such as Westin, Hyatt, and Marriott continue to earn profits that would not have been possible without our public investment;

WHEREAS, the only significant benefit to the community is the quality of the jobs created; and

WHEREAS, Indianapolis hotel workers earn significantly less for work that these same companies pay in Minneapolis, in Detroit, or in St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, the Indianapolis hotel industry is displaying an increasing trend of outsourcing jobs to further reduce pay and benefits, with the result that it is more difficult to enforce laws and regulations; now; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY-COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS AND OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA:

SECTION 1: The Indianapolis City-County Council recognizes tourism as a growing and booming industry in Marion County and wants to ensure the safety of visitors, the rule of law, and high standards throughout the hotel industry.

SECTION 2: The Indianapolis City-County Council recognizes that the practice of outsourcing jobs is not providing its residents with the employment opportunities they deserve and calls upon the hospitality industry to reduce the negative impact of such outsourcing on the community.

SECTION 3: The Mayor is invited to join in this resolution by affixing his signature hereto.

SECTION 4: This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon adoption and compliance with IC 36-3-4-14

The foregoing was passed by the City-County Council this _____ day of _____, 2009, at _____ p.m.

ATTEST:

Bob Cockrum
President, City-County Council

Melissa Thompson
Clerk, City-County Council

Presented by me to the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2009, at 10:00 a.m.

Melissa Thompson
Clerk, City-County Council

Approved and signed by me this _____ day of _____, 2009.

Gregory Ballard, Mayor