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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: the Safety Of Lives At Sea laws (SOLAS) were created to provide of the safety of passengers on ships at sea, and;

WHEREAS: the Steamer Delta Queen does not go to sea, and is never out of sight of land, and;

WHEREAS: actuarial societies and fire-fighters have long recognized that although wood burns, it remains structurally sound longer in fires than many non-combustible materials including steel, and;

WHEREAS: the Delta Queen is furnished and decorated with fire-resistive materials and coatings, and;

WHEREAS: the Delta Queen is equipped throughout with an automatic fire-fighting sprinkler system that is activated at all times the boat is in operation, and;

WHEREAS: dedicated watchmen using a key-station system patrol the boat at all hours, and;

WHEREAS: the entire crew is trained and drilled weekly or more often in fire-fighting techniques, and;

WHEREAS: the Delta Queen has an exemplary safety record over a period of more than eighty years, and;

WHEREAS: the Delta Queen directly employs about eighty persons in the crew plus additional professional and clerical help ashore, and;

WHEREAS: travel agencies throughout the nation depend, in part, on the boat for income, and;

WHEREAS: the Delta Queen is a significant economic asset to its owners, its employees, the public and the cities it serves, and;

WHEREAS: the Delta Queen is recognized by the National Register for Historic Places as an unique and irreplaceable monument, and;

WHEREAS: the Delta Queen has served and could again serve in the defense of our nation,

THEREFOR: we, the _____ hereby resolve that the Delta Queen shall be permanently exempted from the Rules and Regulations of the Safety Of Life At Sea laws.

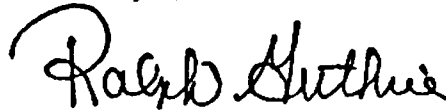
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 - County Auditor
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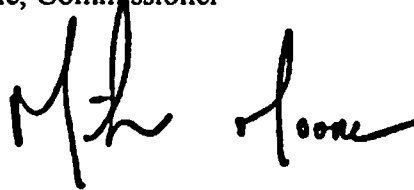
Adopted by the Board of Commissioners of County of Clark, State of Indiana on the 24th day of January, 2008.



M. Edward Meyer, President



Ralph Guthrie, Commissioner



Mike Moore, Commissioner