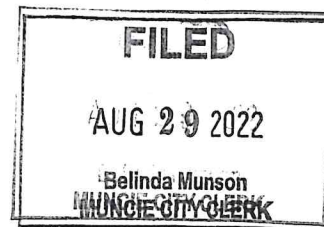


RESOLUTION 22-22



**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MUNCIE ENCOURAGING THE INDIANA  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO TAKE FURTHER ACTION TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS  
OF TENANTS**

WHEREAS, the substandard condition of certain rental housing and landlord-tenant relations have been issues discussed by prior Common Councils of the City of Muncie; and

WHEREAS, recently news coverage has brought these issues again to the forefront and resulted in this Common Council exploring actions it could potentially take to protect tenants living in substandard rental housing and/or dealing with problematic landlords or management companies; and

WHEREAS, while the City of Muncie has ordinances in place to address substandard housing conditions, the Common Council is limited in its authority to protect tenants from problematic landlords and management companies; and

WHEREAS, the Indiana General Assembly regulates the landlord-tenant relationship in the State of Indiana through Indiana Code § 32-31 *et. seq.* and has substantially limited the authority of local government to further regulate the landlord-tenant relationship; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council believes further action should be taken by the Indiana General Assembly to expand the rights to tenants that are living in substandard rental housing and/or dealing with problematic landlords or management companies.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Muncie as follows:

**Section 1:** The Common Council of the City of Muncie urges the Indiana General Assembly to take action to further protect tenants that are living in substandard housing and dealing with problematic landlord or management companies that refuse to comply with their obligations under the law.

**Section 2:** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from after its passage by the Common Council and its approval by the Mayor of the City of Muncie, Indiana.

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Muncie, Indiana, this 12th day of September, 2022.

	Yeas	Nays	Abstained	Absent
Jeff Green	<u>✓</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Jeff Robinson	<u>✓</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Brandon Garrett	<u>✓</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Bradley Polk	<u>✓</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Jerry D. Dishman	<u>✓</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Anitra Davis	<u>✓</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Aaron Clark	<u>✓</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Troy A. Ingram	<u>✓</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Roza Selvey	<u>✓</u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>

  
 President, Common Council

ATTEST:

  
 Belinda Munson, City Clerk

Presented by me to the Mayor for his approval this 12 day of September, 2022.

  
 Belinda Munson, City Clerk

The above Resolution is approved vetoed by me this 12 day of September, 2022.

  
 Dan Ridenour, Mayor

This Resolution is proposed by Council Member



This Resolution is approved in form by Legal Counsel

