

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-244

WHEREAS, the Chicago–St. Louis rail corridor (Corridor) has been an integral part of the U.S. passenger rail network, and was part of the original Amtrak route network; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois (State) has supported the operation and improvement of rail service as well as the enhancement of the physical aspects of the Corridor for over 40 years; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, the Federal Railroad Administration selected Illinois for award of up to \$1.1 billion in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding (Grant) to provide high speed passenger rail service along the Corridor; and

WHEREAS, part of the Grant funds will be used toward the rehabilitation and renewal of boarding platforms and passenger rail and waiting stations along the Corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) conducted a condition assessment and a programming study for the platforms and stations along the Corridor; and


WHEREAS, the City of Lincoln has determined that certain concepts in the assessment and study done by IDOT best suit the needs of the City; and

WHEREAS, final platform and station design plans have not been created by IDOT.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN that the City of Lincoln supports a platform and station plan for Lincoln that includes the construction of a 500-foot platform, a new waiting station on City-owned property, and additional parking around the waiting station; and be it further

RESOLVED, that City officials are authorized to work in conjunction with IDOT and the State of Illinois toward mutual satisfaction of design for platform and station improvements.

ADOPTED THIS 1st day of August, 2011.



Denise Martinek, City Clerk



Keith Snyder, Mayor