

**RESOLUTION NO. 8 -2002**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SYLVANIA  
SUPPORTING THE PRESERVATION OF THE LATHROP HOUSE ON  
ITS PRESENT SITE OF 5362 S. MAIN ST., SYLVANIA, OHIO; AND  
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the house located at 5362 S. Main St. (the "Lathrop House") was constructed at its present location in approximately 1838 and oral history suggests that it may have been involved in the Underground Railroad as a "station"; and,

WHEREAS, the Lathrop House is situated in a fork of a ravine leading to a creekbed below suggesting the safe passage route to lead easterly along the creekbed on a path to provide safe passage to move north toward Canada; and,

WHEREAS, City Council has previously passed Resolution No. 28-2001 on November 5, 2001, supporting the preservation of the Lathrop House; and,

WHEREAS, City Council has passed Ordinance No. 23-2002, on March 4, 2002, authorizing the expenditure of up to \$50,000 to assist in the total cost of moving or relocating the Lathrop House as a historic landmark, under certain conditions; and,

WHEREAS, to move the house off of its original foundation and from its present location would greatly diminish the historic value of the house as a station on the underground railroad; and,

WHEREAS, this Council believes that the Lathrop House should be preserved for generations to come; and,

WHEREAS, this Council believes that the history of this house is best preserved on its present site.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Sylvania, Lucas County, Ohio, 6 members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1. That the Lathrop House should be preserved for generations to come.

SECTION 2. City Council believes that the history of this house is best preserved on its present site.

SECTION 3. That the Clerk of this Council shall file with St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Bishop James R. Hoffman, Sylvania Historical Village, Inc., Sylvania Historical Village Commission and Friends of the Lathrop House a certified copy of this Resolution.

SECTION 4. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 5. That the Clerk of Council is hereby directed to post a copy of this Resolution in the Office of the Clerk of Council in the Municipal Building pursuant to ARTICLE III, Section 12, of the Charter of this City.

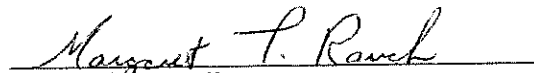
SECTION 6. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, property and welfare and for the further reason that this Resolution should be effective immediately so that it will be in effect and served upon St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of five (5) or more members elected to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days after it is approved by the Mayor or as otherwise provided by the Charter.

Vote dispensing with the second and third readings: Yeas 6 Nays 0

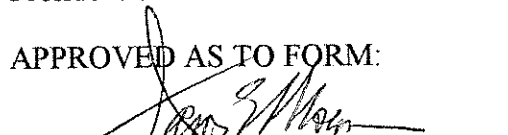
Passed, March 18, 2002 as an emergency measure.

  
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President of Council


ATTEST:

  
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Clerk of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Director of Law

APPROVED:

  
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Mayor

March 18, 2002  
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Date

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of Ordinance/Resolution No. 8-2002 duly passed by the Council of the City of Sylvania, Ohio, at its meeting on 3/18/02 Clerk of Council Margaret T. Rauch

PROOF OF PUBLICATION BY POSTING

I hereby certify that the within, foregoing, above or attached, as the case may be, was published by posting a copy thereof in the office of the Clerk of Council of the City of Sylvania, Ohio, in the Sylvania Municipal Building for a period of not less than 15 days, to wit:

FROM 4/12/02 TO 5/8/02  
Margaret T. Rauch 5/8/02  
CLERK OF COUNCIL DATE