

Resolution # 168 A

Officially requesting approval by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for improved flood protection for the Chesterfield Valley and specifically requesting that approval by given to construction of a 500-year levee

WHEREAS, the Chesterfield Valley was flooded July 30, 1993, due to the failure of the Monarch-Chesterfield Levee; and,

WHEREAS, the Monarch-Chesterfield Levee is designed to provide a 100-year level of protection from flood waters along the Missouri River and Old Bonhomme Creek; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Chesterfield established a \$1 million escrow in August, 1993, to encourage/support efforts to re-build the existing levee, seek a 500-year levee and improve the existing drainage system within the Chesterfield Valley; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Chesterfield allocated personnel, equipment and funding to assist the clean-up process within the Chesterfield Valley, following the flood; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Chesterfield committed manpower, equipment and materials to work with St. Louis County and the Corps of Engineers to construct a temporary levee, along Eatherton Road, to prevent a second flooding of the Chesterfield Valley in September, 1994; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Chesterfield was able to obtain a \$535,000 grant from the State Department of Economic Development to fund efforts to rebuild the existing levee and to seek recertification of the levee from F.E.M.A.; and,

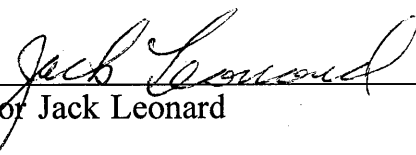
WHEREAS, the City of Chesterfield has entered into contacts with Sverdrup Corporation for the completion of engineering work associated with the recertification of the Monarch-Chesterfield Levee and for preparation/submission of permit applications for a 500-year levee, which parallels a similar process currently being undertaken by the Corps of Engineers; and,


WHEREAS, the City of Chesterfield has authorized funding within the current budget to complete preparation of a master redevelopment plan for the Chesterfield Valley, which calls for construction of a 500-year levee to protect the investment necessary to fund such a redevelopment; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Chesterfield appointed a Tax Increment Financing Commission, to study the feasibility of establishing a TIF district, within the Chesterfield Valley, to provide additional funding for improvements to Valley infrastructure, including a 500-year levee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL, FOR THE CITY OF CHESTERFIELD, HEREBY OFFICIALLY REQUEST THAT THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS APPROVE INCREASED FLOOD PROTECTION MEASURES TO PROTECT THE CHESTERFIELD VALLEY AND THAT SPECIFIC CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO APPROVING A 500-YEAR LEVEE.

Signed, this 7<sup>TH</sup> day of September, 1994.

  
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Mayor Jack Leonard

Attest:   
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City Clerk Marty DeMay