## RESOLUTION NO. 9495-R25

## A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO VACATE BENNETT STREET

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana, being the County Seat of Champaign County, has a special interest in the facilities and buildings housing the government offices and courts of the County; and

WHEREAS, the special relationship of the City and the County has, over the years, fostered considerable investment of public funds of both the City and the County for the development and maintenance of the County facilities an the supporting City infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, due to the age of the County facilities and expansion of the responsibilities of County government, the County finds itself in need of expanding its facilities and is exploring its options for such expansion; and

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana is vitally concerned that the County shall retain its offices and courtroom facilities at the present location in downtown Urbana and accomplish any needful renovation and expansion at its existing downtown location; and

WHEREAS, a logical alternative for expansion would be to utilize the property now occupied by Bennett Street right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the vacation of Bennett Street would not interfere with access for any property owners, nor does it appear that the vacation of Bennett Street would disrupt traffic circulation; and

WHEREAS, although the City Council intends to review the questions and concerns that may arise during the consideration of the question of vacating Bennett Street, for the purpose of encouraging the County to retain the use of Bennett Street for expansion as an option, an expression of intent at this time is proper.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE URBANA CITY COUNCIL that Bennett Street, between Main Street and Elm Street, shall be vacated if no good and substantial reason not to vacate the right-of-way arises and if the County of Champaign, as the owner of most of the frontage thereon, submits a petition to the City requesting vacation of Bennett Street so that the County may utilize such property for the erection of a substantial building to house County offices and Courtroom facilities.

PASSED by the City Council this $\frac{17th}{day}$ day of April , 1995.
AYES: Hayes, Patt, Pollock, Ryan, Singer, Taylor, Whelan
NAYS: ABSTAIN:
Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk
APPROVED by the Mayor this 18th day of April 1995.
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