

CITY OF LAKE ELMO
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION NO. 91-22

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO RECYCLE AND PRESERVE PARKS (Re.A.P.P.)
FOR ITS DEDICATION TO THE FIGHT AGAINST THE SITING OF A LANDFILL
IN THE LAKE ELMO REGIONAL PARK RESERVE

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners selected an area within the Lake Elmo Regional Park as a candidate site for a mixed municipal solid waste landfill; and

WHEREAS, Lake Elmo residents have suffered the devastating effects of a contaminated landfill for nearly ten years; and

WHEREAS, a grass roots group of dedicated citizens known as Re.A.P.P. made a commitment to prevent anyone from ever "dumping" on Lake Elmo again; and

WHEREAS, under the guidance of Re.A.P.P., the Citizens of Lake Elmo overwhelmingly passed a \$200,000 referendum in a united effort to stop the siting of a landfill in the Lake Elmo Regional Park Reserve; and

WHEREAS, a core committee of Re.A.P.P. members worked thousands of hours collectively on behalf of every resident of the City of Lake Elmo researching legal issues, reviewing technical data, lobbying legislators, the Metropolitan Council and the Washington County Board of Commissioners in an effort to stop the siting of a landfill in the Lake Elmo Regional Park; and

WHEREAS, with the financial support and confidence of Lake Elmo residents Re.A.P.P. successfully persuaded the Minnesota Legislature to put a moratorium on the landfill siting process;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lake Elmo City Council extends its sincere appreciation, on behalf of all Lake Elmo residents, to Re.A.P.P. for its successful efforts in persuading the Minnesota State Legislature to impose a one-year landfill siting moratorium and that environmental protection, and preservation of our parks and open spaces are the paramount issues to be considered when siting mixed municipal solid waste landfills.

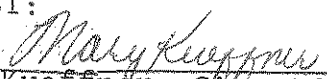
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the core members of Re.A.P.P., Todd Williams and Dan Novak, co-chairs, Margaret Carlson, Rita Conlin, Dick Acree and Vicki Reichow, who have worked continuously for nearly 5 years, are applauded for their efforts that resulted in a moratorium on the landfill siting process to keep Lake Elmo a safe and desirable place to live.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lake Elmo City Council unequivocally supports Re.A.P.P. and its continuing efforts to permanently stop the siting of a landfill in the Lake Elmo Regional Park.

ADOPTED by this Council this 2nd day of July, 1991.

Signed: 
David Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Mary Kueffner, City Administrator