## ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08

## AN ORDINANCE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE (UDO) FOR HUNTINGTON COUNTY TO PLACE A MORATORIUM ON SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

WHERAS, pursuant to Resolution #2024-06 adopted by the Board of County Commissioners ("BOC") of Huntington County, Indiana, the Huntington County Plan Commission ("HCPC") considered application PC-24-02 filed by the Department of Community Development for the adoption a text amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) for Huntington County, originally adopted as Ordinance 2024-04 on April 22, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, the HCPC conducted a duly noticed public hearing on application PC-24-02 on June 12, 2024; and

WHERAS, the HCPC, by a 5-3 vote, issued a favorable recommendation to application PC-24-02 at a meeting duly conducted on June 12, 2024. The HCPC certification of the favorable recommendation is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "A" (the "Certification"); and,

WHEREAS, the HCPC by a motion of 5-3 voted to further deliberate and study the options and methods to more tightly regulate the use of property in the jurisdiction of the HCPC for Solar Energy Systems with the intent of recommending to the BOC further revisions to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO); and,

WHEREAS, the BOC now determines that it is desirable to adopt a moratorium on Solar Energy Systems until the HCPC has time to develop new regulations regarding Solar Energy Systems for the benefit of the public's health, safety and general welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HUNTINGTON COUNTY, INDIANA, that a text amendment to the Huntington County Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) is hereby adopted, which reads as certified by the HCPC in the Certification.

Adopted this 1st day of July 2024

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HUNTINGTON COUNTY, INDIANA

| Voting in Favor:     |                         | Voting in Opposition |
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| Jom Wall             | Tom Wall<br>(President) |                      |
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| Juny Stoff           | Terry Stoffel           |                      |
| ATTEST:              |                         |                      |
| (Jill Landrum) as Au | aditor                  |                      |

## Huntington County Plan Commission Certification

On June 12, 2024, the Huntington County Plan Commission, by a 5-3 vote, certified a **favorable recommendation** on application PC-24-02 for consideration and adoption of a text amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) to place a moratorium on Solar Energy Systems for Huntington County.

Laci Langston, Acting Secretary
Huntington County Plan Commission