

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the majority of Logan County residents and businesses obtain their groundwater from the Mahomet Aquifer; and

WHEREAS, the availability of adequate groundwater for the residential and commercial uses of Logan County, including that provided from the Mahomet Aquifer, is critical to the continued prosperity and growth of Logan County, and

WHEREAS, alternate groundwater sources to the Mahomet Aquifer for Logan County are not readily available without significant investment and possible adverse environmental considerations; and

WHEREAS, Clinton Landfill, Inc., of Clinton, Illinois, through its parent company, Peoria Disposal Company of Peoria, Illinois, as well as its affiliated companies, have applied to the United States Environmental Protection Agency for a permit to establish a Chemical Waste Landfill as a portion of the site known as Clinton Landfill 3, located just south of Clinton, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, said site is immediately over the Mahomet Aquifer; and

WHEREAS, if permitted, the proposed Chemical Waste Landfill would allow the burying of a Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) solid waste; and

WHEREAS, such PCB materials are considered toxic chemical waste under the laws of the United States, are suspected to be carcinogenic, are linked to numerous health issues including cancer and non-cancer effects on the endocrine, reproductive and immune systems; and

WHEREAS, the design the proposed Chemical Waste Landfill cannot guarantee containment of the toxic materials forever, or for a length of time consistent with Logan County being used as a viable location for its present and future residents and businesses, and

WHEREAS, the present withdrawals of water from the Mahomet Aquifer have introduced a hydrologic condition known as a "cone of depression" defining an area from which water from the aquifer is drawn for the use of Logan County residents and businesses, as well as other communities and their residents and businesses throughout Central Illinois; and

WHEREAS, said cone of depression can be expected to naturally expand, extending to an area closer, if not under the site of said proposed landfill as growth of residential and commercial uses of water from the Mahomet Aquifer dictates over the next decades in Logan County as well as other users throughout Central Illinois; and