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**RESOLUTION NO. 2019 - 13**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TROY, ILLINOIS,  
HONORING THE LIFE AND MOURNING THE DEATH OF  
FORMER ALDERMAN & ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CHAIRMAN  
JOHN "JAY" EVANS**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor, Clerk, Treasurer, members of the City Council, staff and employees of the City of Troy, Illinois, greatly mourn the death of our dear friend and former colleague, John "Jay" Evans, who passed away on Monday, June 17, 2019 at DePaul Health Center, Bridgeton, MO; and

**WHEREAS**, John Patrick "Jay" Evans, Jr. 63, was born April 8, 1956 in St. Louis, MO; and

**WHEREAS**, Jay Evans was a graduate of Truman State University and was retired from a career as a Special Investigator for the Illinois State Attorney General's Office, and he was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 235 and Troy Kiwanis; and

**WHEREAS**, Jay Evans began his 23-year service to the City of Troy through his appointment on August 19, 1991, to the Zoning Board of Appeals, service in which he returned to, as Chairman, in his retirement in 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, Jay Evans was appointed to the Aldermanic vacancy in Ward II by Mayor Velda Armes on February 1, 1993, and was subsequently elected by Troy voters on April 20, 1993, and was then re-elected four times as Alderman – Ward II, including in the 1995, 2003, 2007 and 2011 elections; and

**WHEREAS**, Jay Evans served as Chairman of the Economic Development, Building & Zoning, Land Use and Administrative Services Committees in his 20 years as an Alderman, and served on numerous special committees, including the first Ad-Hoc Economic Development Committee, the Alley Committee, and the Impact Fees Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, Jay Evans was tireless in his commitment to the City's Planning Commission, to whom he served as Council Liaison, and assisted in the development of new growth management plans, the creation of a greenspace ordinance, numerous revisions to zoning classifications, upgrades to subdivision codes, a generational transformation of the City's sign ordinance, and the conception of the Old Town Zoning District; and

**WHEREAS**, Jay Evans twice served as Mayor Pro Tem, from 2007-2010 and 2013-2015; and

**WHEREAS**, Alderman Jay Evans' service is remembered for his pursuit of new economic development initiatives: creating the first annual application process for City tourism funds, strongly supporting the formation of a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District, advocating for the Chamber of Commerce to seek tourism funding, and assisting in the creation of the first City website; and

**WHEREAS**, Alderman Jay Evans strongly supported the activities of the Troy Police Department and Troy Chamber of Commerce, championed the independence of a full-time City Clerk, and campaigned for park and recreation improvements such as the creation of the Meadow Drive Park and the installation of the Skate Board area at the Tri-Township Park; and

**WHEREAS**, Jay Evans is survived by his wife, Kim (nee Wisdom) Evans of Troy, IL; son, Ian Patrick (Tiffany) Evans of Malden, MO; daughter, Kelsey Jean (Glen) Baum of Manhattan, KS; grandchildren, Charleston and Lynden Evans and Katleya Baum.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION ONE:** The City Council of the City of Troy, Madison County, Illinois, mourns, along with his wife, children, family and friends, the passing of former Alderman John "Jay" Evans, and communicate our deepest sympathies to his wife Kim, and his two children, Ian and Kelsey.


**SECTION TWO:** The City Council of the City of Troy, Madison County, Illinois, provides that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Jay Evans as a symbol of our sincere sympathy and thanks for his twenty-three years of elected service to the community as Alderman – Ward II and Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman and Commissioner.

**PASSED** by the City Council of the City of Troy, Madison County, Illinois, approved by the Mayor, and deposited in the office of the City Clerk this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2019.

Those voting aye: Dawson, Italiano, Levo, Manley,  
Partney, Thompson, Turner

Those voting nay: \_\_\_\_\_

Those absent: Henderson

APPROVED:  
By:   
ALLEN P. ADOMITE, Mayor

City of Troy, Illinois

ATTEST:

BY:

*Andrea D Lambert*

ANDREA D. LAMBERT, Clerk

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