

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-216

**RESOLUTION BY THE FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE
AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TREASURER TO CANCEL ALL UNPAID REAL
PROPERTY TAXES INCLUDING INTEREST AND PENALTIES ON THE PROPERTY
LOCATED AT 1500 N. MEMORIAL DRIVE**

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the cancellation of unpaid real property taxes including interest and penalties on the property located at 1500 N. Memorial Drive with Tax Key Parcel #276-000021135000 pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 75.105 is hereby authorized and approved if the following conditions are met:

- 1. The owner or another interested party presents satisfactory evidence to the County Treasurer that:
 - a) the property is contaminated by a hazardous substance;
 - b) an environmental assessment has been conducted and concludes that the property is contaminated by the discharge of hazardous substance;
 - c) the owner of the property or another person agrees to clean up the property by restoring the environment to the extent practicable and minimizing the harmful effects from a discharge of a hazardous substance in accordance with rules that the Department of Natural Resources promulgates.
- 2. The owner of the property or another interested party presents to the County Treasurer an agreement entered into with the Department of Natural Resources to investigate and clean up the property, and agrees to maintain and monitor the property as required under rules that the Department of Natural Resources promulgates and under any contract entered into under those rules.
- 3. The owner of the property or another interested party presents satisfactory evidence to the County Treasurer that the requirements of Wisconsin Statute § 75.105 have been fulfilled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the Racine County Treasurer is hereby authorized to cancel the taxes, interest and penalties on the property through August 20, 2006 totaling \$102,474.92 and is also authorized to execute any documents necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

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6 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that
7 Racine County accepts the City of Racine’s offer to provide Racine County \$16,821.03 as
8 a donation which is the total of the City of Racine’s special assessments of the property.

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10 Respectfully submitted,

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12 1st Reading _____

**FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES
COMMITTEE**

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14 2nd Reading _____

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16 **BOARD ACTION**

Robin J. Vos, Chairman

17 Adopted _____

18 For _____

19 Against _____

20 Absent _____

Russell A. Clark, Vice-Chairman

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22 VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

Pamela Zenner-Richards, Secretary

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24 Prepared by:
25 Corporation Counsel

Robert N. Miller

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Q. A. Shakoore, II

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Van H. Wanggaard

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Thomas Pringle

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37 **INFORMATION ONLY**

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39 **WHEREAS**, Racine County has unpaid real estate taxes and interest and
40 penalties that go back to the year 1998 on the property located at 1500 N. Memorial
41 Drive and the total unpaid real estate taxes and interest and penalties through August 20,
42 2006 will be \$102,474.92; and

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44 **WHEREAS**, the property located at 1500 N. Memorial Drive housed a former
45 manufacturing facility and, as a result of the expected environmental contamination of the
46 site, the County has not, in the past, sought an In Rem judgment; and

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WHEREAS, the Racine County Economic Development Corporation has worked to facilitate the transfer of this property and has accomplished the same if, among other things, the taxes are canceled; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the current owner of the property, T.K. Enterprises, LLP, agrees to
11 return the property to a safe and healthy environmental condition by renovating the
12 building and redeveloping the property; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, the office of Corporation Counsel and the Finance Committee have
15 reviewed this matter and recommend cancellation of the unpaid real estate taxes
16 including interest and penalties in order to facilitate this development.

