

RESOLUTION NO. 1981- FCR 81-4

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF FLOYD

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Floyd has been informed that the governing board of the New Albany-Floyd County Consolidated School Corporation is presently entertaining a proposal that the Reisz Elementary School, located on East Spring Street in the Civil City of New Albany, Indiana, be closed; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Floyd finds that the quality of education being offered to the Citizens of this community cannot be measured solely by reference to an arbitrary scheme by which physical facilities within which the learning process takes place are judged, but, rather, finds that the success of the educational process depends upon a meaningful interaction between student and teacher together with affirmative support and cooperation of parents and residents of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Floyd remains of the opinion that a decision to close a neighborhood school must, of necessity, be predicated upon consideration of issues not encompassed by an assessment of the present or future utility of physical facilities.

NOW THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing board of the New Albany-Floyd County Consolidated School Corporation be, and such board hereby is, encouraged to permit and allow interested members of the public to speak in favor of or against the proposed plan to close Reisz Elementary School, and that public meetings be scheduled and held for the purpose of eliciting such response.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the County of Floyd, evidence its present opposition to the proposal to close Reisz Elementary School, which opposition shall continue until it is first determined by the governing board of the New Albany-Floyd County Consolidated School Corporation, following full and fair public hearing, that a decision to close said school would be in the best interests of the educational program of the community, would improve the existing student-teacher-parent relationship upon which such program depends, and would truly reduce the "cost" of education", as such phrase is most fully defined.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Auditor of Floyd County be, and she hereby is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the superintendent of the New Albany-Floyd County Consolidated School Corporation for proper presentation to the governing board.

DATED this 6th day of April, 1981.

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COUNTY OF FLOYD

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ATTEST:

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