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COUNCIL BILL NO. 2016-248

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION

1 RECOGNIZING the contributions to the City and Citizens of Springfield, by Barbara J.
2 Lucks upon the occasion of her retirement.
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5 WHEREAS, Ms. Lucks, joined the City of Springfield in 1994 as Materials
6 Recovery & Environmental Education Coordinator;
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8 WHEREAS, In 2011, Ms. Lucks was named the first Sustainability Officer for the
9 City of Springfield, heading the newly created Sustainability Division, and in that position
10 has been responsible for implementing the City's sustainability efforts and guiding the
11 City's public involvement in community sustainability measures;
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13 WHEREAS, Ms. Lucks' service with the City spanned a period of 22 years;
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15 WHEREAS, In October 2016, Ms. Lucks left her employment with the City of
16 Springfield to work full time as a private consultant with not-for-profit organizations in
17 Springfield and the surrounding area;
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19 WHEREAS, Ms. Lucks, during her tenure with the City of Springfield has been
20 responsible for planning, implementing, and overseeing the public education and
21 information components of the City's solid waste management system (which includes
22 the Household Chemical Collection Center, Yardwaste Recycling Center, recycling
23 drop-off centers, Springfield Sanitary Landfill and curbside recycling services offered by
24 private trash haulers), the Clean Water Services division of the Environmental Services
25 Department, (which includes two wastewater treatment plants and associated facilities
26 and services) and the City's air quality and water quality sections;
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28 WHEREAS, Ms. Lucks' numerous accomplishments include:

- 29 • The successful attraction of Canadian manufacturer Canbrands (now Nestle Purina
30 PetCare) to Springfield in 1998, resulting in 30 new jobs and a \$3 million, 30,000-
31 square-foot manufacturing facility that recycles mixed paper into animal bedding
32 products.

- 33 • The creation of the annual Choose Environmental Excellence Awards Luncheon in
34 2002, recognizing efforts and accomplishments in the environmental field. At the
35 2016 event 12 organizations presented a total of 21 awards.
- 36 • The creation of the annual Environmental/Conservation Education Summit in 2005,
37 bringing together approximately 40 representatives of nearly 30 organizations
38 committed to providing educational programming for a one-day discussion of current
39 issues and topics.
- 40 • The establishment of Springfield as a regional recycling hub, including the
41 availability of glass recycling for Springfield and area communities through a
42 partnership involving Ripple Glass of Kansas City, and Nestle Purina PetCare as an
43 end user of mixed-paper materials.
- 44 • The creation of Springfield's Green Building Task Force, which investigates and
45 evaluates the latest "green building" policies, procedures and ordinances, and
46 recommends their application for purposes of regional development. Lucks served
47 as the chair/facilitator of this 16-member task force.
- 48 • Community Task Force (CPO) Environmental Collaborative Volunteer Award, 1996
49 and 1998.
- 50 • Solid Waste Management, District "O" Environmental Excellence Award, 1997.
- 51 • Ozark Greenways Member of the Year, 1999.
- 52 • Friends of the Zoo Earth Hero Award, 2000.
- 53 • Rotary Club of Springfield, Southeast Volunteer of the Year Award, 2001.
- 54 • Gift of Time Award, Environment category, 2002.
- 55 • Springfield Business Journal Most Influential Women Award, 2005.

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57 WHEREAS, Ms. Lucks serves as a board member of Community Partnership of
58 the Ozarks, chairs CPO's Council of Collaboratives and is a founding member and
59 current chair of the organization's Environmental Collaborative;

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61 WHEREAS, Ms. Lucks has been actively involved with community and state-
62 wide organizations, including Greene County Master Gardeners, Missouri Master
63 Naturalists, and serves on the board of directors of Ozark Greenways, Inc., and is vice
64 president of the Missouri Environmental Fund, and is past president of the Rotary Club
65 of Springfield-Southeast, the Springfield Area Sports Hall of Fame (currently serving as
66 treasurer), and Ozarks Counseling Center, and is a founding member of Missouri State
67 University's Fast Break Club, a women's athletics booster club;

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69 WHEREAS, Ms. Lucks has served on the Springfield Area Chamber of
70 Commerce's board of directors and as vice president and is a former chair of the
71 Springfield-Greene County Park Board and chaired the task force that was instrumental
72 in merging the Park Board and the City's parks system;

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74 WHEREAS, Ms. Lucks has chaired the parks, open space and greenways focus
75 group of the Vision 20/20 comprehensive plan, was an active member in the Founders'
76 Park Committee, as well as a past chair and current member of the Jordan Valley
77 Advisory Committee; and

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79 WHEREAS, Ms. Lucks is recognized both in the Springfield area and throughout
80 the state of Missouri, as a leader and tireless advocate for the many causes in which
81 she is involved.

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83 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
84 SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, as follows, that:

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86 Section 1 - The City of Springfield congratulates Ms. Lucks on the occasion of
87 her retirement from the City of Springfield and expresses it's sincere gratitude for her
88 dedication and many hours of service on behalf of the citizens of Springfield and the
89 state of Missouri; and

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91 Section 2 - The Council of the City of Springfield extends our heartfelt and best
92 wishes to Ms. Lucks' for all of her future endeavors.

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94 Passed at meeting: _____

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97 Mayor

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99 Attest: _____, City Clerk

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102 Filed as Ordinance: _____

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105 Approved as to form: Franklin Dan Bonina II, City Attorney

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108 Approved for Council Action: [Signature] City Manager

EXPLANATION TO COUNCIL BILL NO: 2016-248

FILED: 11-08-16

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: City Managers Office

PURPOSE: To recognize 22 years of service to the City and Citizens of Springfield by Barbara J. Lucks upon the occasion of her retirement.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Ms. Lucks joined the City of Springfield in 1994 as Materials Recovery & Environmental Education Coordinator. In 2011, she was named the first Sustainability Officer for the City of Springfield, heading the newly created Sustainability Division, and in that position has been responsible for implementing the City's sustainability efforts and guiding the City's public involvement in community sustainability measures. Ms. Lucks has devoted her career to developing, implementing and overseeing the education of City staff and the community on various aspects of the City's solid waste management system (which includes the Household Chemical Collection Center, Yardwaste Recycling Center, recycling drop-off centers, Springfield Sanitary Landfill and curbside recycling services offered by private trash haulers), the Clean Water Services division of the Environmental Services Department (which includes two wastewater treatment plants and associated facilities and services) and the City's air quality and water quality sections.

Barbara's numerous accomplishments include but are not limited to: The successful attraction of Canadian manufacturer Canbrands (now Nestle Purina PetCare) to Springfield in 1998, resulting in 30 new jobs and a \$3 million, 30,000-square-foot manufacturing facility that recycles mixed paper into animal bedding products; the creation of the annual Choose Environmental Excellence Awards Luncheon in 2002, recognizing efforts and accomplishments in the environmental field; the creation of the annual Environmental/Conservation Education Summit in 2005, bringing together approximately 40 representatives of nearly 30 organizations committed to providing educational programming for a one-day discussion of current issues and topics; the establishment of Springfield as a regional recycling hub, including the availability of glass recycling for Springfield and area communities through a partnership involving Ripple Glass of Kansas City; the creation of Springfield's Green Building Task Force, which investigates and evaluates the latest "green building" policies, procedures and ordinances, and recommends their application for purposes of regional development.

Ms. Lucks dedication has been recognized and she has received the: Community Task Force Environmental Collaborative Volunteer Award, 1996; Solid Waste District "O" Environmental Excellence Award, 1997; Ozark Greenways Member of the Year, 1999; Friends of the Zoo Earth Hero Award, 2000; Rotary Club of Springfield, Southeast Volunteer of the Year Award, 2001; Gift of Time Award, Environment category, 2002; and Springfield Business Journal Most Influential Women Award, 2005.

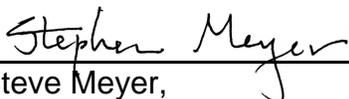
Ms. Lucks serves as a board member of Community Partnership of the Ozarks and chairs its Council of Collaboratives. She is a founding member and current chair of the organization's Environmental Collaborative.

Barbara has been actively involved with community and state wide organizations, including Greene County Master Gardeners, Missouri Master Naturalists, and serves on the board of directors of Ozark Greenways, Inc., and is vice president of the Missouri Environmental Fund, and is past president of the Rotary Club of Springfield-Southeast, the Springfield Area Sports Hall of Fame (currently serving as treasurer), and Ozarks Counseling Center, and is a founding member of Missouri State University's Fast Break Club, a women's athletics booster club.

Ms. Lucks has served on the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce's board of directors and as vice president and is a former chair of the Springfield-Greene County Park Board and chaired the task force that was instrumental in merging the Park Board and the City's parks system. She has chaired the parks, open space and greenways focus group for the Vision 20/20 comprehensive plan, was an active member in the Founders' Park Committee, as well as a past chair and current member of the Jordan Valley Advisory Committee.

REMARKS: The City of Springfield congratulates Ms. Lucks on the occasion of her retirement and expresses its sincere gratitude for her dedication and many hours of service on behalf of the citizens of Springfield and the state of Missouri.

Submitted by:



Steve Meyer,
Director Environmental Services

Recommended by:



Tim Smith, Deputy City Manager

Approved by:



Greg Burris, City Manager