

Resolution No. ____

WHEREAS, Swine Graphics Enterprises, a Webster City-based corporation which owns thousands of sows, plans to build two 4,992-head head units in Walnut Township; and

WHEREAS, these two sites will generate several million gallons of untreated liquid waste each year (10,000 pigs generate the same amount of waste as approximately 25,000 people); and

WHEREAS, various studies and reports have shown that construction of these mega-hog units lower property values; and

WHEREAS, studies show that mega-hog units hinder economic growth in rural communities, especially in the field of tourism; and

WHEREAS, manure spills and handling problems by mega-hog units can pollute streams, creeks, rivers and other bodies of water, killing fish and affecting drinking water supplies; and

WHEREAS, various studies and reports have shown that air emissions (primarily hydrogen sulfide and ammonia) from these mega-hog units negatively impact the health and quality of life of nearby residents;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the city of Casey goes on record opposing the construction of the Swine Graphics mega-hog units in Walnut Township.

ADOPTED this day of , 2006, with the vote thereon being as follows:

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT/NOT VOTING: _____