

ORDINANCE 2023- 03

An ordinance to amend Chapter 230 of the Monroe County Code concerning the Women's Commission.

WHEREAS, the Monroe County Commissioners desire to revise Chapter 230 of the Monroe County Code to reflect changes in terms; and,

WHEREAS, the Monroe County Commissioners find that the proposed amendments would promote the health, safety, comfort and general welfare of the citizens of Monroe County.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of Monroe County, Indiana that Chapter 230 is amended to read as follows (Deleted language is indicated by ~~strikeout~~ and added language is indicated by underline):

CHAPTER 230 WOMEN'S COMMISSION

230-1. Creation

There is hereby established the Monroe County Women's Commission pursuant to Monroe County's Home Rule Authority (IC 36-1-3).

230-2. Membership and Terms

The Commission shall have seven (7) **voting** members who shall represent diverse **professional areas backgrounds and interests**, including, but not limited to, women's affairs, gender studies, education at all levels, non-profit development, healthcare, the justice system and the arts. Members of the Women's Commission shall be representative of the community and shall be Monroe County residents. Strong preference shall be given to persons living outside the corporate limits of the City of Bloomington, and to those with expertise or demonstrated interest in County government. The members shall be appointed as follows:

(A) ~~Three (3)~~ **Four (4)** citizen members chosen by the County Board of Commissioners.

(B) ~~Two (2)~~ **Three (3)** citizen members chosen by the County Council.

(C) One (1) **ex-officio** member from the County Board of Commissioners or an employee of Monroe County chosen by the Board of Commissioners.

(D) One (1) **ex-officio ex-officio** member from the County Council or an employee of Monroe County chosen by the County Council.

230-3. Duties

(A) The Commission shall serve in an advisory role to assist residents, businesses, and

the government of Monroe County in addressing issues of gender inequity in all aspects of society, including government, the economy, education, employment, social and family development, healthcare, the justice system, the arts, as well as land use and planning. The Commission may conduct research and disseminate information. The Commission may undertake specific initiatives assigned to it by the Monroe County Board of Commissioners and/or the Monroe County Council.

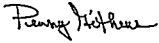
(B) The Commission may seek approval from the Monroe County Board of Commissioners to undertake other duties and may proceed to perform such duties when specifically directed to do so by the Board of Commissioners.

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APPROVED BY THE MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
This 1st day of February 2023.

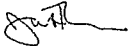
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