RESOLUTION NO. 32–2006

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS REPLACING RESOLUTION 17-2005 CONCERNING THE CITY OF ABILENE YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL OF ABILENE, TEXAS.

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene has provided an opportunity for youth to share in local government matters and to learn to become responsible citizens through their participation on the Abilene Youth Advisory Council; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to allow youth representation from the school districts located within the corporate boundaries of Abilene, including home school students; and,

WHEREAS, the Youth Advisory Council (YAC) was first created in 1991; and,

WHEREAS, the Council is desirous of expanding the YAC to include more representation and to garner more interest in local issues facing our community; and,

WHEREAS, in lieu of amending the original resolutions, a new resolution will merge and replace the previous documents with amendments;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. CREATION, COMPOSITION, AND METHOD OF APPOINTMENT

There is hereby created the City of Abilene Youth Advisory Council to be composed of at least one member from each middle school and at least two members from each high school appointed by the City Council as follows:

- A. At least one representative from each of the middle schools in the Abilene Independent School District (including Woodson Center for Excellence), Wylie Independent School District, Abilene Christian Middle School and Eula Independent School District.
- B. At least two representatives from each high school in the Abilene Independent School District (including one representative from Woodson Center for Excellence), Wylie Independent School District, Abilene Christian High School and Eula Independent School District.
- C. At least one representative from the Home School Community.

Members shall be representative of the racial and gender population of the youth community.

SECTION 2. QUALIFICATIONS

Council members will not be younger than twelve (12) nor older than 19 years of age. Council members must be in good standing with their respective school and have an 80.0 grade point average. Recommendations for Council appointments will be received from each school, youth organizations, Teen Court Coordinator, and Abilene Independent School District At-Risk Coordinator.

SECTION 3. TERMS OF OFFICE

A representative to the Council shall serve for a term of one year. Each member may be reappointed to serve multiple terms.

SECTION 4. ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNCIL

The Council shall elect a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary for Attendance, Secretary for Minutes, Treasurer, Historian and Public Relations Representative from among its members at the first meeting to serve a term of one (1) year. The Council shall adopt Bylaws pertaining to the performance of its duties and the time and frequency of it meetings. Such Bylaws shall be approved by the City Council. The Council shall have the following standing committees:

- A. Bylaws
- B. Recreation/Entertainment
- C. Legislative Issues
- D. Public Relations
- E. Environmental
- F. Employment Projects
- G. Training Projects
- H. Service Projects

SECTION 5. PURPOSE AND DUTIES

- A. To serve as an advisory committee to the City Council on youth affairs.
- B. To organize and supervise programs of all types that will benefit the youth and community of Abilene.
- C. To be a voice for youth in the Abilene community.

Adopted and Effective this 14th day of September, A.D. 2006, replacing Resolution # 17-2005.

ATTEST:

Mayor

APPROVED:

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