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RESOLUTION NO. 33-92

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AFFIRMING, ENCOURAGING AND FINANCIALLY SUPPORTING THE RELOCATION OF THE NORTHTEXAS REGIONAL TRAINING CENTER OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM'S EXTENSION SERVICE TO PROPERTY LOCATED IN MESQUITE, TEXAS.

WHEREAS, the Texas A&M University System's Extension Service provides technical and vocational training through its North Texas Regional Training Center (Center) to over 15,000 North Texans each year, including City of Mesquite employees as well as other Mesquite residents; and

WHEREAS, the Texas A&M University System's Extension Service has experienced unprecedented growth and demand for such training services to the extent that the Center has outgrown its present facilities and has officially stated its need and desire for larger, state-of-the-art training facilities, and has specifically expressed interest in Mesquite as the "host community" for such a facility/campus; and

WHEREAS, the Texas A&M University System's Extension Service is perceived as a prestigious asset to its "host community" as well as a generator of direct and indirect social/economic benefits, e.g., faculty/staff jobs, off-site student retail sales and service revenues, area service jobs, new development and construction, etc.; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mesquite (City) is strongly supportive of existing and new business development opportunities in Mesquite which create jobs and promote a healthy economy for Mesquite citizens similar to that provided by the Center; and

WHEREAS, the City desires that Mesquite be perceived as a progressive ininded community assertively involved in attracting and establishing facilities similar to those which the Center would provide for local as well as regional economic growth and development; and

WHEREAS, the Mesquite community has proudly achieved an enviable stature as a commercial/industrial center while concurrently developing a reputation for excellence in its public education system both of which the Center would enhance; and

WHEREAS, the City's Economic Development Department shares with its private sector allies/partners the mutual philosophy that a well trained workforce is essential if Mesquite, and indeed, Texas, is to remain competitive in attracting growth-minded industries;

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

SECTION 1. That the City Council affirms, encourages and pledges City financial support to the Mesquite Economic Development Foundation, and other private/business sector leaders in developing a comprehensive incentive package focused on attracting the Center to Mesquite.

That the combined City, Texas A&M and Mesquite area SECTION 2. public/private leaders pursue the attraction of this Center as a truly Public/Private Partnership.

SECTION 3. That the City Council appoint one Councilperson to represent the City and serve as an appointed member of the recently formed Mesquite Economic Development Foundation, Inc., a non-profit corporation comprised of knowledgeable, experienced and visionary Mesquite citizens whose mission is to guide, advise, raise funds for, and direct Mesquite's efforts to attract this Center to Mesquite.

That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage as the law in such cases provides.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 2nd day of November, 1992.

Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Lynn Prugel

City Secretary

City Attorney