

RESOLUTION NO. 2022 - 1

VILLAGE OF MT AUBURN's OPPOSITION TO THE
CONSTRUCTION OF A CO2 PIPELINE AND DEPOSITORY

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
VILLAGE OF MT. AUBURN

THIS 7th DAY OF June, 2022

PUBLISHED IN PAMPHLET FORM BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF
THE VILLAGE OF MT. AUBURN, CHRISTIAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS

THIS 7th DAY OF JUNE, 2022

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WHEREAS the elected officials of the Village of Mt. Auburn do hereby oppose the construction of any CO2 Pipeline in Christian County because CO2 Pipelines and storage are a threat to the health and safety of all residents of Mt. Auburn, and

WHEREAS residents of Mt. Auburn would be negatively impacted by living under the constant threat of a CO2 Pipeline leak and explosion, as was seen in Satartia, Mississippi, and

WHEREAS residents of Christian County would need to pay increased taxes to allow our fire and EMS departments to buy electric vehicles that would be able to run during a CO2 leak, since CO2 crowds out oxygen and disables gas combustion engines, which is a burden to both taxpayers and emergency planners, and

WHEREAS The U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) ~~announced on May 26, 2011~~ the agency's plan to initiate a new rulemaking process with a goal of strengthening its safety oversight of carbon dioxide (CO2) pipelines, as well as enforcing actions against Denbury Gulf Coast Pipelines for its CO2 pipeline failures in Satartia, Mississippi that caused the evacuation of 300 people and resulted in the hospitalization of nearly 50, thus confirming that existing regulations for such pipelines are inadequate to protect communities from dangerous pipeline failures and potential loss of life, and

WHEREAS, at a minimum, in light of the PHMSA creating new measures for CO2 Pipeline Safety, the Illinois Commerce Commission should not grant any CO2 Pipeline the right to build in Illinois until the new safety measures are finalized, and

WHEREAS, any depository, if granted should be at a distance away from an aquifer in sufficient distance so as to prevent any seepage into the aquifer by any CO2 emissions; and

WHEREAS, we as elected officials of the Village of Mt. Auburn and our elected officials in Christian County need time to review these new PHMSA measures and enact ordinances to protect our residents and ensure CO2 Pipelines and storage areas must adhere to both the PHMSA measures and any additional measures we find to be in the best interest of our residents' safety and general welfare, and

WHEREAS the elected officials of Mt. Auburn Board, are responsible for the safety and welfare of its residence, and CO2 pipeline and depository threatens the aquifer that supplies the community's water.

WHEREAS the elected officials of Mt. Auburn Board are responsible for the upkeep of all Board Roads, CO2 pipelines threaten drainage of farm fields which can cause standing water on our roads, and

WHEREAS Mt. Auburn residents would likely experience reduced property values if they are forced to have a CO2 Pipeline through their property, as any reasonable person would choose to buy property without a CO2 Pipeline or near a CO2 Pipeline, all other factors being equal, and

WHEREAS this reduction in property values and the hope of alternative retail, commercial, or other productive, tax-paying development along a CO2 Pipeline route will diminish the fiscal health of our Community tax base, and

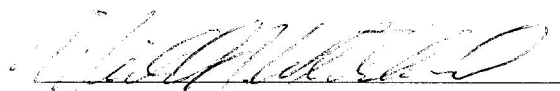
WHEREAS as stewards of tax dollars and the public trust we oppose this entire CO2 Pipeline scheme as a false and unproven method of helping the environment, and

WHEREAS the Federal tax dollars subsidizing this CO2 Pipeline could be much better spent on more proven methods of reducing carbon dioxide emissions without the need to use Eminent Domain and put our Village residents at permanent risk of CO2 Pipeline leaks.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the elected officials of the Village of Mt. Auburn that we hereby:

- A. Oppose the construction of the CO2 Pipeline;
- B. Oppose allowing the depository of CO2 storage in Christian County and within a reasonable distance from any aquifer;
- C. Use of eminent domain for any CO2 Pipeline in Christian County; and
- D. Urge Christian County and the Illinois Commerce Commission to join us in opposing CO2 pipelines to protect the health and safety of our residents.

Adopted this 7th day of the month of June in the year 2022 as attested by the signatures below:


Michael Whitehead, Village Mayor

ATTEST:


Tammy Hamell, VILLAGE SECRETARY

AYES: Brenda Patton, Sandy Goeder, Rick Clayton,
Denise Carey, Scott Vincent, Don Henderson
NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE
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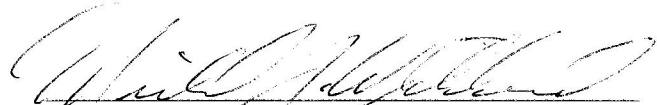
CERTIFICATE

I, Michael Whitehead, certify that I am the duly elected MAYOR of the Village
Of Mt.Auburn, Christian County, Illinois.

I further certify that on June 7. 2022, the Board of Trustees of such Village passed and
approved Resolution No 2022-1, titled "VILLAGE OF MT AUBURN's OPPOSITION TO
THE CONSTRUCTION OF A CO2 PIPELINE AND DEPOSITORY", which provided by its
terms that is should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of Resolution No. 2022-1, including the Resolution and cover sheet thereof, was prepared, and a copy of such Resolution was posted in the village hall, commencing on June 7, 2022, and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk.

DATED at, Mt. Auburn, Illinois, this 7th day of June, 2022.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Michael Whitehead", written over a horizontal line.

Michael Whitehead, Mayor.