SPECIAL MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, March 15, 1901.

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Friday, March 15, 1901, at 2 o'clock P. M., in special session, pursuant to the following call:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 14, 1901.

Hon. John F. Geckler, City Clerk, Indianapolis Ind.:

Dear Sir—You are hereby directed to call a special meeting of the Common Council, to be held in the council chamber, Friday, March 15, 1901, at two o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of taking action upon a memorial, concerning the death of Benjamin Harrison, ex-President of the United States, and such other matters as may properly arise.

Very respectfully,

T. TAGGART,

Mayor.

I, John F. Geckler, Clerk of the Common Council, do hereby certify that I have served above notice upon the President and each member of the Common Council prior to the time of meeting, pursuant to the rules.

JOHN F. GECKLER City Clerk.

Present, Hon. John H. Crall, President of the Common Council, in the chair, and 14 members, viz.: Messrs. Bernauer, Billingsley, Daller, Dickson, Evans, Horan, Kaiser, Keller, Munro, McGrew, Negley, Perrott, Reilly and Spiegel.

Absent 6, viz.: Messrs. Higgins, Kelly, Knight, Megrew, Moriarity and Wheeler.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. Crall offered the following resolution:

Resolution No. 5, 1901.—

Be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

l. That as representatives of all the people of this city we deeply deplore the death of General Benjamin Harrison. He was recognized by all as the foremost citizen of Indianapolis, a position earned by a long life, marked by ability, patriotism and all the attributes of good citizenship. As a volunteer soldier he periled his life on the battlefield in defense of the country he loved. As President of the United States, he brought to the discharge of the duties of that great office such a high order of ability as to command the respect and compel the admiration of all the nations of the earth. As United States Senator, he represented his State with dignity, and served its people with patriotic devotion to their interests. As a lawyer, he stood at the very head of his profession, and in a great litigation before a high international tribunal in Europe, established his position as one of the world's greatest advocates. While the people of Indianapolis were justly proud of his attainments and achievements as a public man, and rejoiced when honors came to him in public life, they honored him as a private citizen of this beautiful city. His uniform courtesy, his gentle bearing, his deep interest in all things tending to promote the city's welfare, his unostentatious charity, his irreproachable life and character, his love of home and family, made him the highest type of an American citizen, and as his neighbors and friends, our people honored him no less for these private virtues than for his grand achievements as soldier, lawyer and statesman, and regard his death a distinct personal loss.

2. That we tender to the family of General Harrison the assurance that all the people of Indianapolis, without regard to party, creed or condition, are mourning with them to-day, and are extending to them

their heartfelt sympathy.

3. That in testimony of the respect due to the eminent character of the deceased, we hereby request that all business of the city be suspended and that all business houses be closed between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M., and 2 o'clock P. M., on Saturday, March 16, A. D. 1901.
4. That a copy of these resolutions duly attested and properly engrossed be furnished to the family of the deceased.

Which was read and, on motion of Mr. Bernauer, adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—15, viz.: Messrs. Bernauer, Billingsley, Daller, Dickson, Evans, Horan, Kaiser, Keller, Munro, McGrew, Negley, Perrott, Reilly, Spiegel and President Crall.

Noes-None.

Mr. Billingsley moved that the Common Council attend the funeral of General Benjamin Harrison in a body, and that the President appoint a committee of three to make the necessary arrangements.

Which motion prevailed, and President Crall appointed the following named members to constitute said committee: Messrs. Daller, Evans and Perrott.

On motion of Mr. Billingsley, the Common Council, at 2:15 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

ATTEST:

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City Clerk.