



## RESOLUTION 2023-02

### A RESOLUTION CREATING THE “BAKER DISTRICT” IN THE CITY OF MONROE TO HONOR COUNCILOR TONY BAKER

**WHEREAS**, the City of Monroe lost a long-time resident, friend, neighbor, dedicated volunteer, leader, mentor, entrepreneur, city councilor, and community supporter with the passing of Anthony “Tony” G. Baker on Sunday, January 8, 2023.

**WHEREAS**, Tony Baker devoted himself to the betterment of this community and engaged with his colleagues on City Council with wisdom, humor, faith, and professionalism. Tony Baker served on the Monroe City Council from 1997 to 2000 and again from 2020 to 2022. He was re-elected as City Councilor in the November 2022 general election to serve four more years; and

**WHEREAS**, Tony Baker and his family were instrumental in preserving and protecting a significant piece of Monroe history with the purchase of the former Wilhelm House, built circa 1920, and located at the corner of 6<sup>th</sup> and Commercial Streets in Monroe; and

**WHEREAS**, the Monroe City Council and the City of Monroe wish to honor Councilor Tony Baker, his countless contributions including the preservation of our history for current and future generations with the creation of a new honorary city district to be designated as the “Baker District;” and

**WHEREAS**, the Baker House, located at 220 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, is the anchor of this new district and includes the following two-block area: 6<sup>th</sup> Street from Orchard to Main Street, Main Street from 6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> Streets, 7<sup>th</sup> Street from Main to Orchard Street, and Orchard Street from 7<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Streets; now

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Monroe hereby authorizes the creation of the “Baker District” and directs City staff to install the appropriate signage atop street name signs within the declared district in honor of Councilor Tony Baker.

**Adopted by the City Council this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023.**

APPROVED:

  
Dan Sheets, Mayor

  
Date

ATTEST:

  
Steve Martinenko, City Recorder