

ARTICLES OF DEDICATION FOR BUDDHA KARST NATURE PRESERVE

Pursuant to the provisions of IC 14-31-1, and solely for the uses and purposes set forth in such Chapter, the Indiana Karst Conservancy of Marion County, Indiana, hereby dedicates to the Department of Natural Resources of the State of Indiana, under the provisions of said Act, voluntarily and without consideration, a perpetual non-exclusive easement in the following described real estate (herein called "Nature Preserve") located in Lawrence County, Indiana:

Part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 16, Township 4 North, Range 1 East, Guthrie Township, Lawrence County, Indiana, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a 5/8 inch rebar with cap set on the West Line of said Northeast Quarter south one (01) degree, fifty-four (54) minutes, three (03) seconds east 1265.92 feet from a stone found marking the Northwest Corner of said Northeast Quarter; thence north eighty-one (81) degrees, thirty-eight (38) minutes, seven (07) seconds east 1191.42 feet to a 5/8 rebar with cap set; thence south ten (10) degrees, nineteen (19) minutes, fifty-six (56) seconds east 275.31 feet to a wood post found; thence north seventy-nine (79) degrees, thirty-eight (38) minutes, thirty-six (36) seconds east 270.00 feet to an iron pipe found in the centerline of a county road; thence along said centerline the following bearings and distances: south four (04) degrees, twelve (12) minutes, twenty-two seconds east 87.06 feet; thence south fifteen (15) degrees, forty-eight (48) minutes, seventeen (17) seconds west 65.52 feet; thence south seventeen (17) degrees, sixteen (16) minutes, zero

(00) seconds west 289.29 feet; thence south twenty-four (24) degrees, forty-nine (49) minutes, thirty-three (33) seconds west 321.72 feet; thence south twenty-three (23) degrees, eleven (11) minutes, fifty-eight (58) seconds west 175.96 feet; thence south seventeen (17) degrees, twenty-two (22) minutes, seven (07) seconds west 210.23 feet; thence south thirty (30) degrees, twenty-nine (29) minutes, forty (40) seconds west 31.30 feet; thence leaving said centerline north eighty-nine (89) degrees, forty-seven (47) minutes, fifty-three (53) seconds west 1075.11 feet to a 5/8 inch rebar with cap set on the West Line of said Northeast Quarter (passing a 5/8 inch rebar with cap set at 25.00 feet); thence along said West Line north one (01) degree, fifty-four (54) minutes, three (03) seconds west 1153.29 feet to the point of beginning, containing 36.84 acres, more or less.

The Department of Natural Resources, State of Indiana, hereby accepts such dedication and holds its estates, rights, and interests, hereunder in the Nature Preserve in trust for the People of the State of Indiana under the provisions of said Act. As a Nature Preserve for public use, the aforementioned property is dedicated for the preservation of the caves, springs, sinkholes, and other geological features. The Nature Preserve shall be used, administered, managed, and protected by the Administrator, as defined in the Master Plan for Buddha Karst Nature Preserve, a copy of which is attached and made a part of these Articles of Dedication. The Nature Preserve shall be further controlled by the General Use Regulations of the Department of Natural Resources, as found in 312 IAC 8, together with subsequent amendments to the Master Plan or Regulations not inconsistent with the provisions of IC 14-31-1 or these Articles of Dedication. The Department of Natural Resources shall not grant nor encumber any estate, interest or right in the Nature Preserve except upon compliance with IC 14-31-1.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the authorized representatives of the parties have affixed their signatures on the respective dates appearing below:

DATED: _____

ATTEST:

INDIANA KARST CONSERVANCY

Bruce E. Bowman, President

Kriste J. Lindberg, Secretary

STATE OF INDIANA

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) SS:
COUNTY OF _____)

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared this _____ day of _____, 200__, Bruce E. Bowman and Kriste J. Lindberg, both respectively known by me to be such officers of the Indiana Karst Conservancy and acknowledged their execution of the foregoing instrument to be their free and voluntary acts and deeds as such officers and for and on behalf of said Indiana Karst Conservancy.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

My Commission Expires:

Notary Public

(Print or Type Name)

County of Residence: _____

DATED: _____

STATE OF INDIANA
NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

ATTEST:

Michael J. Kiley, Chairman

John R. Goss
Secretary, Natural Resources Commission
Director, Department of Natural Resources

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF NATURE PRESERVES

John A. Bacone, Director

STATE OF INDIANA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF _____)

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared the ____ day of _____, 200__, Michael J. Kiley, Chairman, Natural Resources Commission, John R. Goss, Secretary, Natural Resources Commission, and Director, Department of Natural Resources, and John A. Bacone, Director, Division of Nature Preserves, Department of Natural Resources, all respectively known by me to be such officers of the Department of Natural Resources, and acknowledged their execution of the foregoing instrument to be their free and voluntary acts and deeds as such officers and for and on behalf of said Commission.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

My Commission Expires:

Notary Public

(Print or Type Name)

County of Residence:_____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED:

Dated: _____

Dated: _____

Steven Carter
Attorney General of Indiana

Frank O'Bannon
Governor of Indiana

This instrument was prepared by Ronald P. Hellmich, Attorney at Law.
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