WHEREAS, Smokes Creek within the boundaries of the City of Lackawanna had overflowed its banks on many occasions and caused considerable amount of damage to the home owners and property, and

WHEREAS, in 1955, Smokes Creek had overflowed as a result of thaw and heavy rain and caused damage in upwards of $750,000, and

WHEREAS, due to the said overflowing, the United States Government appropriated the sum of $50,000 and through its Army Engineering Corps proceeded to temporarily correct the condition so as to prevent the Creek from overflowing, and

WHEREAS, the Army Engineering Corps have completed the temporary project to relieve the situation within the amount of money that was appropriated for said purpose, and

WHEREAS, Said work by the Army Engineering Corps was only of a temporary nature and that in due time the Creek will again overflow and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, March 1st, 1955, the said Smokes Creek again overflowed its banks causing the greatest flood in the City's history with damage of over one million dollars, and

WHEREAS, the recent work done by the Army Engineers proved conclusively to be inadequate to serve as a permanent solution to this situation.

RESOLVED, to prevent the recurrence of the great loss of damage as a result of the overflowing of the Creek, the City of Lackawanna requests Senator Herbert H. Lehman, Senator Irving M. Ives and Representative John R. Pillion, representatives of this district to obtain the necessary allocation of Federal Funds and proper authorization to permit the U. S. Army Engineers to make a detailed review survey for the purpose of recommending a project which will produce a permanent solution to this problem, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby instructed and authorized to forward a copy of this resolution to Representative John R. Pillion, Senator Herbert H. Lehman and to Senator Irving M. Ives.


APPROVED: JOHN J. JANIGA
MAYOR
CITY OF LACKAWANNA, N.Y.