

**RESOLUTION 897**

**A RESOLUTION STATING OPPOSITION TO ALLIANT ENERGY'S REQUEST FOR AN INCREASE IN ELECTRICAL RATES**

WHEREAS, the West Branch City Council has given Alliant Energy the opportunity to present to the public, their justifications for a proposed rate increase; and

WHEREAS Alliant Energy reported a 1st quarter 2010 net earnings of \$43.4 million; and

WHEREAS any rate increase at such a dire time in our economy would adversely affect our citizens on a fixed lower-income; and

WHEREAS any rate increase at this time would stifle large and small businesses growth during a time when growth is so desperately needed; and

WHEREAS the national unemployment rate is hovering around 10%; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of West Branch hereby declares its opposition to Alliant Energy's proposed rate increase, and encourages the Iowa Utilities Board to reject said proposal.

Passed and approved by the City of West Branch City Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,2010.

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Mayor, Don Kessler

Attest:

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Deputy City Clerk, Dawn Brandt