

RESOLUTION #R-86-15

IN SUPPORT OF WISCONSIN SENATE BILL 340 (SB340): A BILL TO RESTORE \$2.3 MILLION TO THE 2016 RECYCLING GRANTS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

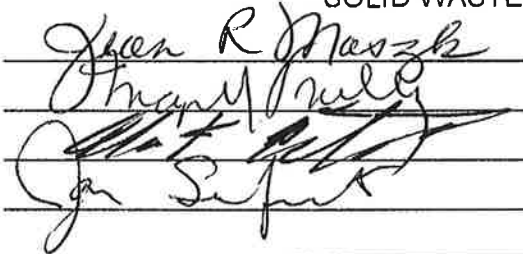
- WHEREAS,** §287, Wis. Stats establishes the framework for Wisconsin's Recycling Law, and;
- WHEREAS,** the law is implemented and enforced at the local level by Responsible Units of Recycling conducting Wis. Administrative Code NR544 Effective Recycling Programs, and;
- WHEREAS,** §289.645, Wis. Stats establishes a Recycling Fee to be assessed at landfills to help fund Effective Recycling Programs, and;
- WHEREAS,** approximately \$33-\$36 million is annually collected as the Recycling Fee and sent to the Environmental Management Fund for redistribution to Responsible Units of Recycling as Basic Recycling Grants and;
- WHEREAS,** the amount of money collected has remained consistent, the amount allocated for Basic Recycling Grants has been cut in the last two state biennial budgets, and;
- WHEREAS,** Wis. Act 55 further reduced the amount available for 2016 by \$4 million, and
- WHEREAS,** an recent analysis of the Environmental Management Fund shows a surplus of \$2.318 million at the end of fiscal year 2016 and Senate Bill 340 proposes to restore \$2.3 million to the Basic Recycling Grant, and;
- WHEREAS,** the strategic plan of the Solid Waste Management Board includes working to make recycling easy and fashionable and advocate for policies that encourage recycling.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that the Marathon County Solid Waste Management Board is in support of Senate Bill 340.

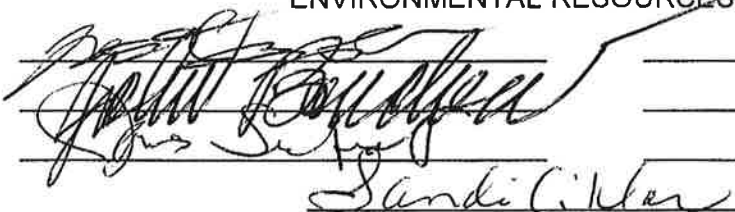
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all appropriate officers of Marathon County are hereby authorized and directed to implement the terms and conditions of this resolution.

Respectfully submitted this 15th day of December, 2015.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD



ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE



Fiscal Impact: None that affects county levy.

