RESOLUTION NO. 24-06-15
RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A WOLF POPULATION OF 350 OR LESS

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin DNR established a wolf population goal of 350 animals in 1999, and reaffirmed this population goal in 2007, based on prey availability and human population density, and nothing has happened to increase prey availability or decrease human density in the intervening years; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin DNR plans to review and revise the previous wolf management plan, adopted in 1999 and revised in 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Wildlife Foundation and Wisconsin Farm Bureau have officially approved a Wisconsin wolf goal of 350 or less; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Conservation Congress Spring Hearings (2011) overwhelmingly supported a Wisconsin wolf population of goal of 350 or less; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's residents have experienced depredations and threatening incidents involving wolves, including 81 incidents to animals and 6 threats to human safety in 2013, occurring in 21 counties; and

WHEREAS, the high predator population, in particular wolves, has resulted in the reduction of the deer population where wolves are plentiful, reduced hunting opportunities, curtailed livestock and pleasure horse activities, and are a danger to pets and people; and

WHEREAS, the Waushara County Land, Water, Education Committee recommends that the County Board support a wolf population goal of 350 or less.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Waushara County Board of Supervisors recommends that the State of Wisconsin approve a wolf population goal of 350 or less in the next revision of the Wisconsin Wolf Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Waushara County Board of Supervisors requests that the Wisconsin DNR and other partners implement meaningful population controls in the next Wisconsin Wolf Plan to bring the wolf population to goal levels; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Waushara County Board requests that the Wisconsin DNR not relocate wolves that have caused problems in Wisconsin or other areas into any county in Wisconsin, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk sends a copy of this resolution to DNR Secretary Cathy Stepp, DATCP Secretary Ben Brancel, Governor Scott Walker and the County's State representatives.
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Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____ Abstain _____ [X] Voice Vote

☑ Approved and adopted this 16th day of June 2015.

☐ Denied this 16th day of June 2015.

Approved as to Form:

[Signature]

Ruth Zouski
Corporation Counsel

Attest:

[Signature]

Melanie R. Stake
Waushara County Clerk

Submitted by:

[Signature]

Donna R. Kalata
Land, Water, Education Committee Executive

Signed by:

[Signature]

Donna R. Kalata, Chair
Waushara County Board of Supervisors

per phone call with Co. Board Chair
vote was 11-0