INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To support a statewide wolf population management goal of 350 animals or less.

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources established a wolf population goal of 350 animals or less in 1999 based on prey availability and human population density, and nothing has happened to increase prey availability or decrease human population density in the intervening years, and

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

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and WI Farm Bureau have officially approved a WI wolf population goal of 350, and

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

WHEREAS, eighteen (18) county boards in northern and west central Wisconsin have passed resolutions that recommend a wolf population goal of 350 (4) or 350 or less (14), and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin residents have experienced depredations and threatening incidents involving wolves, and

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

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wood County Board advises that Wisconsin continue the wolf population goal of 350 or less in the next revision of the Wisconsin Wolf Plan, and

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

**Motion by Murphy/Breu to adopt Resolution 13-8-7. Motion by Machon/C lendenning to strike the words "or less" in regards to the management goal of 350 animals. Motion carried. Voting no were Nelson, Rozar, Miner, Polach, Murphy. Motion to adopt Resolution 13-8-7 carried. Voting no were Wagner and Polach.**