



**DOOR COUNTY**

**Resolution No. 2021-27**

**SUPPORT FOR WATER QUALITY TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**TO THE DOOR COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

ROLL CALL Board Members	Aye	Nay	Exc.
AUSTAD			
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CHOMEAU			
COUNARD			
D. ENGLEBERT			
R. ENGLEBERT			
ENIGL			
FISHER			
GAUGER			
GUNNLAUGSSON			
HEIM PETER			
KOHOUT			
LIENAU			
LUNDAHL			
NORTON			
ROBILLARD			
RUSNAK			
THAYSE			
VIRLEE			
VLIES WOTACHEK			
VOGEL			

**BOARD ACTION**

Vote Required: Majority Vote of a Quorum

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Motion to Approve      Adopted       Defeated

1st Ken Fisher      2nd Vlies Wotachek

Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_ Exc: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed by: [Signature], Corp. Counsel

Reviewed by: [Signature], Administrator

**FISCAL IMPACT:** There is no fiscal impact associated with the adoption of this resolution. STW

**Certification:**

I, Jill M. Lau, Clerk of Door County, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution that was adopted on the 23rd day of March, 2021 by the Door County Board of Supervisors.

[Signature]  
Jill M. Lau  
County Clerk, Door County

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**WHEREAS**, A clean, plentiful supply of drinking water is necessary for the health and well-being of Wisconsinites and benefits not only the citizens of Wisconsin but also Wisconsin's tourism industry and rural economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, Protection of the County's 300 miles of shoreline, diverse natural resources and highly sensitive groundwater that provides drinking water for residents is a County priority; and

**WHEREAS**, The 2019 Wisconsin Speaker's Task Force on Water Quality brought attention to the scope of water quality problems in Wisconsin, highlighted the theme that "water quality is crucially important to the health and vitality of our state's people, industries, and natural resources", and recommended 13 new legislative proposals; and

**WHEREAS**, The Wisconsin Assembly took up the Task Force Recommendations and passed 13 "Water Bills" in 2020 (AB 789 through AB 801), but the State Senate never had the opportunity to consider those when its last scheduled session was postponed by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, The challenges associated with water quality remain critical to address; and

**WHEREAS**, Several Task Force Recommendations align with County priorities, in particular support for county conservation departments that are the necessary local delivery mechanism for a wide range of natural resource management programs focused on water quality.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Door County Board of Supervisors does hereby urge the Governor of the State of Wisconsin and all elected representatives in the Wisconsin State Legislature to maintain focus on and address the Task Force Recommendations through the legislative process; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Door County Board of Supervisors does hereby urge the Governor of the State of Wisconsin and all elected representatives in the Wisconsin State Legislature to provide \$13.0 million annually in the 2021-23 state biennial budget for county conservation staffing and adequately fund the other Task Force Recommendations; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the County Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Counties Association, Representative Joel Kitchens, and Senator Andre Jacque.

**SUBMITTED BY:  
LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE**

[Signature]  
Ken Fisher, Chairperson

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Bob Bultmann

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Vinni Chomeau

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Roy Englebert

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Todd Thayse

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Mike Vandenhouten

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Richard Virlee