

AUTHORIZING A COUNTYWIDE ADVISORY REFERENDUM ON CLEAN WATER NOW FOR WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, there are numerous indicators that the citizens of Eau Claire County are concerned about clean drinking water and clean lakes because of the health of its people and the economic impact(s) on its people and businesses; and,

WHEREAS, the Ground Water Advisory Committee, under the Planning and Development Standing Committee, is directly involved with local and regional discussions focusing on surface water and ground water issues and,

WHEREAS, the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors have passed resolutions asking the State of Wisconsin to pursue initiatives related to surface water and ground water issues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors, in open session at a regularly scheduled, and properly noticed meeting, and Pursuant to Wis. Stats. Section 59.52(25) does hereby approve that the following question be placed on the April 5, 2022 ballot as an advisory referendum:

**Question:** Should the State of Wisconsin establish a right to clean water to protect the following: human health, the environment, and the diverse cultural and natural heritage of Wisconsin? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Corporation Counsel shall prepare a Notice of Referendum to be published by the Eau County Clerk in accordance with statutory requirements; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution and the referendum shall be filed with the Eau Claire County Clerk no later than 70 days prior to the April 5, 2022 election, at which the question will appear on the ballot; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Eau Claire County Clerk is directed to send results of the referendum to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and to local members of the State Legislature.

Adopted: January 18, 2022

Sue McDonald  
County Clerk