

RESOLUTION NO. _____ - 2019

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE ORIGINAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FRIENDS OF THE GREAT SAUK STATE TRAIL

Background: The Friends of the Great Sauk State Trail was established in 2015 as a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization, with a mission to enhance, promote, manage and advocate for the continued development of the Great Sauk Trail, a nearly 13-mile multi-use trail. The Friends group, led by Jeff Wright, consisted of Deanna Ballweg, Ken Carlson, Jonathan Cody, Hans Fester, Tywana German, Lindsey Giese, Fran Greenman-Schmitz, Cecy Haines, Todd Lassanske, Dick McFarlane, Dave O'Brien, John Saucer, Jared Walker Smith and Kathy Schwarz. This group was instrumental in raising roughly \$1,000,000, which was used to fund benches, mile-markers, bike fix-it stations, donor plaques, donor boards, and information signs. In addition, these funds were used to support three currently installed sculptures with four more to be complete by 2020. The work completed by the original Board of Directors over the last four years has been key in ensuring continued support for the Trail as it moves north to the 400 Trail. We would like to express our appreciation and commend the original Board of Directors of the Friends of The Great Sauk State Trail for serving with dedication and faithfulness.

Fiscal Impact: ☒ None ☐ Budgeted Expenditure ☐ Not Budgeted

WHEREAS, the generosity of the Sauk Prairie area business and individuals have made a multi-use recreational trail through their two villages a reality and,

WHEREAS, segment One through the Villages of Sauk Prairie and Prairie du Sac was opened on October 19th, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, segment Two through the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area (former Badger Army Ammunition Plant) was opened on October 26, 2018; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors, met in regular session, hereby expresses its appreciation and commends the original Board of Directors of the Friends of The Great Sauk State Trail for faithful service to the people of Sauk County.

For consideration by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors on October 15, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

SAUK COUNTY LAND RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

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Fiscal Note: None.

Information System Note: No fiscal impact.