## Village of North Freedom Resolution 2024-003 Support to Friends of the Baraboo River for Application to National Water Trail Recognition

WHEREAS, the Baraboo River holds significant ecological, recreational, and historical value for the communities it traverses; and

WHEREAS, the Baraboo River is a vital natural resource, supporting diverse wildlife habitats, including various fish species, birds, and plant life, contributing to the region's biodiversity, and

WHEREAS, the Baraboo River offers exceptional opportunities for outdoor recreation, including canoeing, kayaking, fishing, and wildlife viewing, attracting residents and visitors alike to its scenic waters; and

WHEREAS, designation as a National Water Trail would enhance the visibility and accessibility of the Baraboo River, promoting tourism and economic development in the surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, recognition as a National Water Trail would facilitate partnership between local, state, and federal agencies, as well as non-profit organizations, to collaborate on conservation efforts, recreational enhancements, and educational programs along the river corridor; and

WHEREAS, designation as a National Water Trail would help preserve and protect the Baraboo River for future generations, ensuring its continued ecological health and recreational value,

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Village of North Freedom hereby expresses its full support for the designation of the Baraboo River as a National Water Trail.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Village of North Freedom, met in Regular Session and goes on record in support of this designation and requests a copy of this Resolution be submitted to the National Park Service as a part of the application for the designation of the Baraboo River as a National Water Trail.

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This Resolution (WAS) - WAS NOT adopted at the Village of North Freedom Regular Board Meeting on May 13, 2024 by a vote of **6** Aye **8** Nay.

Dated this 13th day of May, 2024.

Andrew R. Dear, Village President

Nicki Breunig, Clerk/Treasurer