RESOLUTION NO.2-3-11

IN SUPPORT OF DEVELOPMENT OF AN AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISE AREA (AEA) WITHIN THE TOWN OF WOODVILLE, CALUMET COUNTY, WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection is accepting applications for the designation of Agricultural Enterprise Areas throughout the State of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, agriculture is an important component of the area economy, landscape and rural character; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Woodville has consistently supported and encouraged area agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Woodville has adopted farmland preservation zoning; and

WHEREAS, the Town identified preservation of agriculture in the Town of Woodville Comprehensive (Smart Growth) Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Woodville believes that establishment of an Agricultural Enterprise Area will protect the local agricultural economy and rural heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Woodville has determined, based on petitioner support and previous meetings where AEA and other farmland preservation tools were discussed, that there is public support for the AEA;

WHEREAS, the continued preservation of land in agricultural use will support jobs in the agricultural industry, attract agricultural related businesses, limit incompatible land uses, and help curb residential sprawl; and

WHEREAS, agriculture is an important area land use and worthy of preservation and support.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF WOODVILLE, that the Town Board does hereby support the designation of the "Hilbert Ag Land on Track" Agricultural Enterprise Area partially within the Town of Woodville.

Adopted this 2nd day of Feb, 2011. Daniel Whul

Attest: