# ORDINANCE 2022-01 CHAPTER 14 UNION MUNICIPAL CODE AN ORDINANCE REGULATING NOXIOUS WEEDS AND INVASIVE SPECIES

The Town Board of the Town of Union, Door County, Wisconsin does hereby create Chapter 14 Union Municipal Code and ordain as follows:

- 1. Authority. This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to authority granted in Wis. Stats. 66.0407 and Wis. Stats. 60.22(3).
- **2. Purpose.** This Ordinance codifies the requirements for property owners to destroy noxious and invasive weeds upon their property in the Town of Union and provides the town enforcement authority to require such action.

## **Chapter 14 - Noxious Weeds**

## 14.01 Adoption of Statute

Wisconsin Stat. 66.0407 as hereafter amended is adopted by reference.

## 14.02 Definition of Noxious Weed and Invasive Species.

In addition to those weeds defined by Wis. Stats 66.0407, as amended, the town specifically includes the following which are defined as noxious weeds: Phragmites, Wild Parsnip, Common & Cut Leaf Teasel, and Japanese Knot Weed.

### 14.03 Enforcement.

The Town Board or its designees shall enforce this section. If any person fails to comply with the provisions of Wis. Stats 66.0407, as amended and as adopted by the Town of Union, the town may after five (5) days written notice to the owner, cause the premises to be mowed and/or sprayed and shall report the cost thereof to the town clerk. This cost shall be entered on the tax roll as a special charge for services under Wis. Stats 66.0627.

#### 14.04 Penalties.

Any person owning, occupying or controlling land in the Town of Union who fails to destroy all noxious weeds as required herein shall forfeit not less than \$50 nor more than \$200. Each day that a violation exists is considered a separate violation. In addition, the court may impose upon each person violating the section an assessment for court costs and all costs and fees, including reasonable attorney fees, incurred by the Town in enforcement of this section.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective upon passage and posting according to law. Adopted at a regular meeting of the Union Town Board on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

Town Board of Union	CERTIFICATION:
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Bruce Alberts	of Union on April 19, 2022.
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