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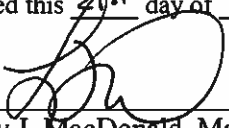
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City and Town of Bayfield Proclamation "Greenest Communities in Wisconsin"

- Whereas, we hereby declare the City of Bayfield and the Bayfield Township to be proclaimed the Greenest Community in Wisconsin as demonstrated by the actions of our municipal officials, civic organizations, businesses, schools and citizens, and
- Whereas, both communities signed Eco-municipality resolutions in 2006, laying the groundwork which set the tone for decision making and moving the community toward collective and meaningful efforts to become a more sustainable, global climate-friendly community, and
- Whereas, in 2004, cooperatively with the Pike's Bay Sanitary District built a regional state-of-the-art Wastewater Treatment Facility to serve both the City and Township's wastewater needs, aiming to achieve zero percent discharge into Lake Superior, and
- Whereas, in 2008 adopted Governor Doyle's "25 by 25" resolution to advance Wisconsin's vision for energy independence by generating 25 percent of the City of Bayfield's electricity and 25 percent of our transportation fuels from renewable resources by 2025, and are part of the Wisconsin Office of Energy Independence grant to create strategies for increasing the use of renewable energy to cover 25% of the communities needs by 2025, and
- Whereas, both the City and Town have embraced environmentally-conscious and sustainable practices in the development of their Community Comprehensive Plans and the Township's development of a Zoning Overlay Plan that addresses sustainability issues specific to Bayfield Township, and
- Whereas, in 2008, the design and implementation of the "Clean It Green It" program by the City of Bayfield where 31 grants were provided to city homeowners who implemented a range of energy savings project and in 2009 will launch the second phase of the "Clean It Green It" program where city businesses will be offered mini-grants for creative energy savings projects, and
- Whereas, the agricultural community of Bayfield Township has adopted green practices such as the Orchards Eco-Apple initiative and has supported the Township's Farmland Preservation program, and
- Whereas, Bayfield's Chamber & Visitor Bureau has set support of Travel Green Wisconsin as one of their primary goals, as demonstrated by their consistent marketing of the program, creation of the upcoming Energy & Environmental Fair and assistance to businesses seeking Travel Green certification and within the city of Bayfield and Bayfield Township there are more Travel Green Wisconsin certified businesses than any other community in Wisconsin, and
- Whereas, the initiation of programs by the Bayfield Public Schools focusing on the "Green Scene" including a Cell Phone Recycling program, Bayfield Electrathon, a competition to create a human powered/electric hybrid commuter vehicle, participation in the Energy Star School Challenge to reduce energy costs by at least 10% and an extensive recycling, reuse program with organization of the "Green Meanies".

Now Therefore, we Larry J. MacDonald, serving as Mayor of the City of Bayfield, and Thomas J. Gordon, serving as Town Chairman of the Town of Bayfield, Wisconsin, acknowledge all of the efforts noted above and do hereby proclaim the City and Town of Bayfield together as the Greenest Communities in Wisconsin."

Signed this 20th day of April, 2009.



Larry J. MacDonald, Mayor
City of Bayfield

Signed this 20 day of April, 2009.



Thomas J. Gordon, Chairman
Town of Bayfield