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CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON

Ozaukee County, Wisconsin

RESOLUTION 2018-4

Resolution recognizing May 19th as International Migratory Bird Day and authorizing the City Environmental Planning Committee and appropriate City staff to continue participation in the Wisconsin "Bird City" Program as a "Sustained Flight" partner

WHEREAS, migratory birds are some of the most beautiful and easily observed wildlife that enhance our community in countless ways and on every day; and

WHEREAS, our citizens recognize and welcome migratory songbirds as symbolic harbingers of spring and enjoy all the opportunities they have to engage in great, recreational endeavors such as bird-watching and nature photography; and

WHEREAS, migrant bird species also play an important economic role in our community, controlling insect pests and generating revenue related to bird watching activities; and

WHEREAS, public awareness and concern are crucial components of migratory bird conservation; and

WHEREAS, our citizens can directly contribute to maintaining healthy bird populations; and

WHEREAS, since 1993, International Migratory Bird Day (IMBD) has become a primary vehicle for focusing public attention on the nearly 350 species that travel between nesting habitats in the City of Port Washington and throughout North American and their wintering grounds in South and Central America, Mexico, the Caribbean and the southern United States; and

WHEREAS, IMBD will once again be celebrated at Forest Beach Migratory Preserve and will provide public information about migratory bird conservation and call the public to action in supporting efforts to protect and conserve migratory birds and their habitats throughout our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Port Washington recognizes Saturday, May 19th as International Migratory Bird Day in our City of Port Washington and encourages all our city residents to celebrate their role as stewards of bird habitat; and

FURTHERMORE, be it resolved that the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Port Washington authorizes the City Environmental Planning Committee, in conjunction with appropriate City staff, to continue with participation in the Wisconsin "Bird City" Program, in recognition of the commitment our City and its partners and stakeholders have made to advancing the ideals of bird habitat protection.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Port Washington to be affixed, on this 6th day of February in the Year 2018.

Tom Mlada, Mayor

Attest:

Susan Westerbeke, City Clerk