A PROCLAMATION HONORING JOSH GASSER

WHEREAS, Josh Gasser was a 2010 graduate of our Port Washington-Saukville School District and subsequent recipient of an athletic scholarship to play basketball for the University of Wisconsin-Madison men’s basketball team, and;

WHEREAS, while attending Port Washington High School, Josh helped his team earn a trip to the State Tournament and a spot in the Division 2 State Title game, and;

WHEREAS, for his high school athletic and academic achievements, Josh was deservedly named the “High School Gatorade Player of the Year” for the State of Wisconsin, and;

WHEREAS, upon choosing to attend the University of Wisconsin-Madison and play basketball for his home-state Badgers, Josh has continued to excel on and off the court, most notably in being the first Freshman in Badger history to score a Triple-Double in a game, and being named to the All-Big Ten Defensive Team in both 2012 and 2014, and;

WHEREAS, Josh played an instrumental role for the Badgers during the 2013-2014 season, serving as a source of inspiration after fighting his way back from a devastating knee injury that cost him the prior season, and elevating the play of all those around him through his tenacious defense, strong rebounding, and pinpoint perimeter shooting, and;

WHEREAS, Josh and his Badger teammates put together an incredible season, getting off to a 17-0 start and a #2 national ranking, compiling one of the best overall records in school history at 30-8, earning a #2 seed in the Midwest Region of the NCAA Tournament, and finishing with an electrifying run to the Final Four that captivated the entire State of Wisconsin, and;

WHEREAS, Josh has accomplished all this while being a great role model for those young adults who emulate him and aspire to a similar level of athletic and academic greatness, and;

AND WHEREAS, we, as residents and officials of the City of Port Washington, benefit immensely from Josh’s dignified and proud representation of our entire City of Port Washington,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tom Mlada, Mayor of the City of Port Washington in the State of Wisconsin, proudly honor and celebrate Josh for his profound accomplishments and inspiring example of commitment to excellence.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Port Washington, Wisconsin to be affixed, this 3rd day of June 2014.

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Tom Mlada, Mayor