Resolution 2023-01 Town of Verona

A Resolution Addressing the Possible Redirection of Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District Flow from Badger Mill Creek to Badfish Creek

WHEREAS, Town of Verona residents have for many years enjoyed diverse environmental and recreational uses along the Badger Mill Creek and the Sugar River; and

WHEREAS, since 1998, treated effluent has been returned to the Sugar River watershed after having been treated by the Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD); and,

WHEREAS, the Town Board understands that MMSD is considering the option to no longer return treated effluent to Badger Mill Creek but to send it to Badfish Creek, in the Yahara River watershed, and,

WHEREAS, the amount of effluent returned to the Badger Mill Creek by the MMSD contributes significant volume to the Badger Mill Creek; and

WHEREAS, diverting the water taken from the Sugar River watershed to Badfish Creek in the Yahara River watershed may permanently and significantly reduce the flow of the Sugar River in the Town of Verona, impacting recreational uses of the Sugar River, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town of Verona Board that the Town Board supports the continuation of the current practice of the MMSD returning Sugar River waters to the Sugar River watershed.

ADOPTED by the Town of Verona Board on March 6, 2023, Dane County, Wisconsin.

Mark Geller, Town Chair

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Town of Verona Board at a legal meeting on the 6th day of March 2023.

Teresa Withee, Clerk/Treasurer

Dated Marchle, 2023