

**Lake Michigan Trails Network**  
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

**Whereas** \_\_\_\_\_ is committed to the “Lake Michigan Trails Network,” a partnership of advocates and stakeholders developing and promoting water, biking, hiking, and automobile routes and trails around Lake Michigan while enhancing environmental, economic, and health benefits for residents and visitors; and

**Whereas**, the “Lake Michigan Trails Network” fosters partnerships between planners, trail managers and users, landowners, business owners, tourism agencies, government agencies and advocacy groups in all four shoreline states to plan and build trails and amenities, and share knowledge, successes, methods and challenges, to aid the development of projects; and

**Whereas**, the “Lake Michigan Trails Network” recommends linking trails together, gaining cooperation to encourage regional collaboration, and create a partnership that will provide transportation, recreation and community benefits aimed at enhancing the quality of life; and

**Whereas**, many communities, agencies, and trail advocates in the region have taken a lead in planning and/or building local trails, and those efforts can be greatly enhanced by being connected to the larger Lake Michigan Trails with a strong brand marketed to encourage tourism; and

**Whereas**, trails are freely accessible community assets offering opportunities for transportation, recreation and exercise to everyone and provide safe places for people to experience a sense of community and create stronger social and family ties; and

**Whereas**, trails have significant impact on the health and economic viability of the region through encouraging active lifestyles, increased tourism revenue, enhanced property values, as well as enhanced ability to attract and retain businesses to the region due to improved quality of life; and

**Whereas**, the “Lake Michigan Trails Network” provides the foundation for a long-term strategy that will continue to grow and to provide invaluable resources for future generations; and

**Now**, therefore, be it resolved that \_\_\_\_\_ is committed to the promotion and continued development of the “Lake Michigan Trails Network” and in concept to working with neighboring communities to plan, design, build and maintain a system of trails that will connect our communities, people and special regional points of interest for years to come.

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