RESOLUTION NO. 2017-01

LAUDERDALE LAKES LAKE PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION DISTRICT WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN

THE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE LAUDERDALE LAKES LAKE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT DO HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Resolution:

Supporting the Completion of the Environmental Impact Study for the USH 12 Extension Project and Urging the State of Wisconsin that this Project Be Included in the Transportation Improvement Program for Southeastern Wisconsin: 2017-2020

WHEREAS, the Lake Management District represents the owners of 1878 properties with assessed values of \$600 million dollars; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary draft of the Transportation Improvement Program for Southeastern Wisconsin: 2017-2020 ("Transportation Plan") indicates that the environmental impact study for the extension of USH 12 between Elkhorn and Whitewater ("Highway 12 Project") was removed from the plan; and;

WHEREAS, the Highway 12 Project was removed from the Transportation Plan because the Department of Transportation (DOT) determined not to pursue the design and construction of the project within the next five years; and;

WHEREAS, the extension of USH 12 remains in the Vision 2050 plan and is recommended in the Walworth County Jurisdictional Highway System Plan;

WHEREAS, without the extension of USH 12 from Elkhorn and Whitewater, the City of Whitewater is cut off from major arteries; and;

WHEREAS, traffic counts and forecasts indicate that future additional capacity is warranted

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that <u>Lauderdale Lakes Lake Management District</u> <u>Board of Commissioners</u> HEREBY supports the completion of the Environmental Impact Study for the US Highway 12 Extension.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the <u>Lauderdale Lakes Lake Management District Board of Commissioners</u> urges the State of Wisconsin to include the US Highway 12 Extension Program between Elkhorn and Whitewater to be included in the Transportation Improvement Program for Southeastern Wisconsin 2017-2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Secretary is hereby directed to have a copy of this resolution forwarded to the Governor and Secretary of Transportation as well as Assembly members August, Horlacher and Loudenbeck, Senator Nass and SEWRPC Executive Director Mr. Kenneth Yunker.

CERTIFIED BY:

Adopted this 14th day of January, 2017

By a vote of: <u>5</u> in favor <u>0</u> against <u>0</u> abstain

John M. Sorenson

Secretary