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RESOLUTION NO. 23-037

BY COMMISSIONER: Peterson

ADOPTED: May 9, 2023

WHEREAS, Carlton County recognizes that bees and other pollinators are integral to pollination of plants in order to grow a wide diversity of essential foods including fruit, nuts, and vegetables; and

WHEREAS, pollinator populations are threatened due to habitat loss, neonicotinoid use, pathogens, and parasites; and

WHEREAS, recent research suggests that bee pollinators make use of no mow spaces as key floral resources during early spring in the upper Midwest United States; and

WHEREAS, pollinators and floral resources have a positive relationship, where the increase in pollinators can increase the amount of flora and vice versa; and

WHEREAS, the Carlton County Board of Commissioners finds it is in the public interest to demonstrate its commitment to a safe and healthy community environment through the implementation of initiatives that help increase the pollinator population; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Carlton County Board of Commissioners to continue its efforts to become a pollinator friendly County by ensuring best management practices for management of vegetation, and to continue to identify actively maintained areas that could be converted back to vegetation favorable to bees and other pollinators, or left natural to promote nesting areas for bees, and to proclaim May 1st-31st, 2023 as "No Mow May", and encourage all residents who wish to participate in this initiative to refrain from mowing their lawns in the month of May to provide vital early spring flowers for bees that emerge from hibernation.

Upon motion by Peterson, seconded by Proulx, and carried, the above resolution was adopted.

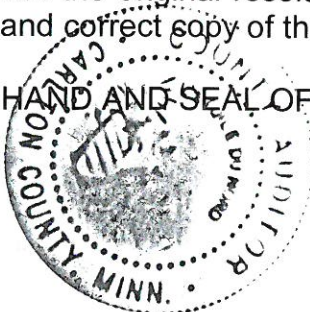
Yea votes: Bodie, Brenner, Peterson, and Proulx

Nay votes: None

Absent: Zmyslony

I, Kevin DeVriendt, Auditor/Treasurer of the County of Carlton, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in my office on the 9th day of May, 2023 and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE in Carlton, Minnesota, this 9th day of May, 2023.



Kevin DeVriendt
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