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**AUTHORIZING A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE WALKING IRON STATE TRAIL**

Dane County Parks, Wisconsin DNR and Sauk County are collaboratively planning an approximate 3 mile trail that would extend from the proposed recreation bridge crossing of the Wisconsin River at Sauk City to a Wisconsin DNR parking area on STH 78. The proposed rails to trail project is planned to provide future connections to the Village of Mazomanie in Dane County, and Devils Lake State Park via the Great Sauk State Trail in Sauk County.

Construction of Phase 1 of the Walking Iron State Trail is estimated to cost \$8,300,000. Dane County is seeking 60% funding from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) for construction of the project. The grant application requires authorization to apply by County Board resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dane County Board of Supervisors and County Executive authorize submittal of a grant application to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation TAP grant program for the amount of \$4,980,000.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the County Board of Supervisors and County Executive hereby authorize the Director of the Dane County Land & Water Resources Department or their designee to sign and submit the grant application.