SUB _____ TO 2023 RES-320 (PROPOSED – CHAWLA)

PLACING WARNING SIGNS AT ALL STORM WATER RETENTION BASINS ON COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY

There are storm water retention basins, also known as retention ponds, throughout Dane County, including on county-owned property. There are 21 storm water retention basins with permanent pools of water on county property located in parks, the landfill, Alliant Energy Center, and the East Campus.

Storm water retention basins hold and distribute rain runoff, which in turn prevents flooding. They are often landscaped with a variety of grasses, shrubs, and/or wetland plants to provide bank stability.

Any body of water has the potential to be dangerous. Clearly marking storm water retention basins, in symbols and words in multiple languages, is a safety measure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Dane County staff shall have discretion to place warning signage, in symbols and words in multiple languages, at ~~all~~ select storm water retention basins on county-owned property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Capital Budget be amended to increase account CPFACMGT NEW "Retention Pond Signage" by $15,000 and decrease account CPFACMGT 57422 "Courthouse Roof Rigging System" by $15,000.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors encourages all Dane County municipalities to include one or more of the following features for storm water retention basin safety, which were introduced recently for inclusion in State of Wisconsin Statutes (creating Wis. Stat. 283.33 (8m)):
(a) A shallow ledge around the periphery of the pond
(b) Vegetation that is not less than 24 inches high between the pond and any easy point of access
(c) Any other alternative safety feature deemed effective.