

RESOLUTION NO. ____

**A RESOLUTION OF DANE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OPPOSING
WILDLIFE KILLING CONTESTS IN DANE COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Moondog Madness and others are Wisconsin-based organizations that promote recreational calling, hounding, and shining of predators such as coyotes, bobcats, foxes and other species in order to shoot and kill them indiscriminately, and

WHEREAS, the 2017 contest was partially and fully in DANE County and its attendees participated in recreational hunts of target predators, and

WHEREAS, these predators are an integral part of the ecosystem and play a critical role in maintaining a healthy balance of plants and animals in the ecosystem by preying on species such as rabbits, mice and other rodents, and

WHEREAS, the indiscriminate killing of these predators, even when done legally, does not serve any legitimate wildlife management purpose and instead upsets the natural balance of the area's parks and public lands, and violates the North American Model of Conservation and the Public Trust Doctrine, and

WHEREAS, wildlife killing contests appear to encourage the wanton taking of life by its attendees that is contrary to the treatment of all creatures in a humane and respectful manner and to living in harmony. Killing contests do not reflect the values of humane treatment of animals, and

WHEREAS, hounds are and can be used in these killing contests, Dane County strives to meet the highest standards of humane animal care and husbandry, and to promote responsible pet ownership, and killing contest promote animal fighting; and

WHEREAS, residents and visitors use the extensive public lands in DANE County for hiking, dog walking, bird watching, seasonal game hunting, horseback riding, and other outdoor activities compatible with maintenance of a healthy ecosystem, and the activities of killing contest attendees pose a threat to their safety and well-being,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the DANE County Board of Supervisors opposes any and all future wildlife killing contests involving sentient furbearing mammals and game species hunts in this county.

Passed by the Board of Supervisors of DANE County, this ____ day of _____, 2019.

Chair, DANE County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Clerk of the Board

Deputy County Attorney

REGISTRATION BEFORE COUNTY COMMITTEE



Committee Name: ENVIRO Name: Melissa Smith

DATE: 12-13-18 Municipality: DANE - MADISON

Petition/CUP #/Resolution/Ordinance Amendment/Subject: _____

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wish to Speak in Support	<input type="checkbox"/> Wish to Speak in Opposition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>new business</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Registering in Support	<input type="checkbox"/> Registering in Opposition	<input type="checkbox"/> Available for Information Only

1. On this occasion, are you officially representing an organization or a person other than yourself?
 YES NO
 [If you checked "NO," STOP; you need not complete the rest of this form. If you checked "YES," go on to the next question.]

Name, address and telephone number of each person or organization you are representing:
Friends of the WI Wolf + Wildlife - Madison, WI
Endangered Species Coalition - ESC, D.C.

Comments:

2. Are you being paid for your representation or appearing incidental to your other paid duties for this person or organization? YES NO
 [If you checked "NO" to the question, STOP; you need not complete the rest of this form. If you checked "YES," turn over to the next question.]

3. Are you an elected official who is appearing solely on behalf of your office or for your municipality or other governmental body?..... YES NO
 [If you checked "YES," to the question, STOP; you need not complete the rest of this form except that you must sign this form. If you checked "NO," to the question, go on to the next question.]

4. Has or will the person or organization you represent spend more than \$500 on county lobbying activities during the current reporting period?..... YES NO
 (A reporting period is January to June or from July to December.)

5. Do you anticipate making more than 2 contacts with County Board supervisors other than at public hearings or meetings?..... YES NO
 (Do not count contacts with the County Board supervisor who represents the district in which you reside.)

[If you checked "NO," to questions 4 and 5 above, STOP; you need not complete the rest of this form. However, if you do make more than 2 contacts at a later date, you must then contact the County Clerk's office to file a form indicating such activity. You must also sign this form. If you checked "YES" to either question at this time, go on to the next question.]

6. If "YES," do you understand that if the person or organization you represent spends more than \$500 during the current reporting period, you must file a financial disclosure statement with the county clerk?..... YES NO
 [If you checked "NO" please call the County Clerk at 266-4121 or go to the Clerk's office at Room 106A of the City-County Building, Madison, for more information.]

Date: _____ Signature _____
 Print Name _____