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**NAMING THE NEW DANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE MARINE AND TRAIL
ENFORCEMENT (MATE) BOAT THE RON E. BOYLAN**

The 2014 Capital budget authorized the purchase of an Everglades 295 Pilot patrol boat, for the Dane County Sheriff's Office Marine and Trail Enforcement's (MATE) patrol, search, rescue and recovery functions.

MATE is responsible for boat, snowmobile, and ATV marine and trail regulation, protection, and law enforcement of Dane County lakes and trails. MATE responds to lake accidents including drowning investigations on 37 County lakes and 14 miles of the Wisconsin River with patrol efforts primarily focused on Lakes Mendota, Monona, Waubesa, and Kegonsa. During the winter months the Unit patrols lakes to enforce Dane County regulations of icebound waters.

Chief Deputy Boylan headed the MATE Unit as Sergeant from 1996 through 1999, and continued to support the Unit as Captain of the Field Services Division from March through November 2006, and as Chief Deputy from 2006 until his untimely death from colon cancer, January 19, 2011. Chief Boylan was an avid supporter of the MATE Unit and through his direction and oversight the Unit continues to provide quality service to citizens of Dane County.

Chief Deputy Boylan was instrumental in upgrading the service provided through the MATE Unit by strengthening relationships at the local and state levels, strengthening funding sources for equipment replacement and establishing educational programs for the boating and snowmobiling communities. His guidance strengthened the structure and established much of the organization in place today.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors recognize the significant contribution of Chief Deputy Boylan to the MATE Unit during his service to Dane County.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Everglades 295 Pilot patrol boat purchased and delivered in 2014 is officially named the Ron E. Boylan.