

2014 RES-509  
CONGRATULATING DANE COUNTY CONSERVATIONIST PAT SUTTER  
ON HIS RETIREMENT

WHEREAS Pat Sutter began working for Dane County in 1984, first as a Soil & Water Conservationist, and, for the past eight years, as the County Conservationist, helping landowners and operators to implement conservation practices; and

WHEREAS Pat has worked extensively with watershed projects for Black Earth Creek, Dunlap Creek, Pleasant Valley Creek, and the Sugar River and his professional conservation work has instilled acceptance and ownership by landowners, agencies and not-for-profit organizations that conservation is a way of doing business, not a process or program; and

WHEREAS Pat is hereby commended for not only his work with individual landowners, but also for his efforts to access funding from state and federal programs as well as partnering with not-for-profit organizations to meet common goals; and, as a result, over 60 miles of stream habitat has been restored, and a further 60 miles of cold water trout streams have been restored and three streams - West Branch Sugar River, German Valley Branch, and Syftestad Creek – have been removed from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the United States Environmental Protection Agency list of impaired streams; and

WHEREAS Pat's accomplishments include 30 permanent stream bank easements and 38 temporary easements, providing the opportunity for the public to hike and fish for many years to come; and

WHEREAS after years of dedicated service, assistance, professionalism and commitment, Pat Sutter has decided to retire from Dane County service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dane County Board of Supervisors extends its appreciation to Pat for his leadership and service to the citizens and communities of Dane County who have benefited from his contributions, and wishes him a long and active retirement.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be presented to Pat Sutter as a token of the high esteem in which he is held by this Board and all citizens of Dane County.

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Sharon Corrigan, Chair

Signed and sealed before me this  
22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2015.

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Scott McDonell  
Dane County Clerk