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- 52 our strong and healthy agricultural heritage and economy, as well as to increase the innovative
- 53 implementation of renewable energy countywide to strengthen and sustain a resilient
- community for generations to come.
- 56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Dane County encourages efficient use of land by making
- 57 solar photovoltaic installations compatible with current and future farming practices in the 58 county.
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- 60 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that Dane County shall attempt to employ agrivoltaic practices on
- our own land-based solar installations wherever feasible.