Resolution number: 21-006

Title: Expressing Appreciation for the Service of Carver County Commissioner Randy Maluchnik

WHEREAS, Carver County Commissioner Randy Maluchnik was first elected in 2007 as Commissioner for District 3, covering portions of the Six Mile Creek Halsted Bay Subwatershed, and has served as a liaison between Carver County and the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District;

WHEREAS, during his tenure as a liaison to the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District, Commissioner Maluchnik has been an ardent advocate and supporter of the District’s work in Carver County, encouraging and facilitating open communication of the District’s mission, approach and priorities to the County Board and constituents; working alongside MCWD to convene partners and landowners to navigate solutions to complex issues, such as high water; helped integrate and streamline aquatic invasive species programs to deliver value and reduce overlap; and consistently served as a thoughtful and critical thinking partner always willing to offer wise counsel to the District;

WHEREAS, Commissioner Maluchnik championed the development of the 2017 Six Mile Creek Halsted Bay Plan and a master financing agreement between Carver County and MCWD to support capital project implementation, which has catalyzed a suite of coordinated investments that ensure the sustainable and vibrant growth of Carver County underpinned by a healthy natural environment; and

WHEREAS, these efforts have resulted in significant water quality and ecological benefits while contributing to the livability and character of Carver County, including: the implementation of the state’s largest common carp management program, which has reduced carp below target populations in six lakes; significant water quality improvements to Wassermann Lake and the creation of 30 acres of newly publicly accessible greenspace in the form of an ecological park; a reduction in nutrient loading to East Auburn Lake and the treatment of stormwater runoff from downtown Victoria; a 25% reduction in nutrient concentrations at the outlet of Halsted Bay; and leveraging over $1.2 million in state funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District Board of Managers: hereby expresses its deep gratitude and appreciation for the service of Commissioner Maluchnik, and wishes him the very best of happiness, health and wellbeing in all of his future pursuits.

Resolution Number 21-006 was moved by Manager Olson, seconded by Manager Miller. Motion to adopt the resolution 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions. Date: 1/14/2021

President

Secretary