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RESOLUTION BY THE WATERLOO TOWNSHIP BOARD CALLING FOR DEMOLITION OF THE ABANDONED MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FACILITY, "CAMP WATERLOO", IN THE WATERLOO RECREATION AREA, WATERLOO TOWNSHIP, JACKSON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Whereas, Waterloo Township is the home of the Waterloo Recreation Area, the largest state recreation area in the southern peninsula of Michigan, and

Whereas, more than 600,000 annual visitors to the Waterloo Recreation Area enjoy and depend upon the pristine habitat and unique geological formations therein, and

Whereas, the Michigan Department of Corrections built and operated a corrections facility on Maute Road, in the Waterloo Recreation Area, "Camp Waterloo", and

Whereas, the Michigan Department of Corrections abandoned Camp Waterloo over ten years hence, leaving the facilities open to vandals, vagrants and the natural elements, and

Whereas, Camp Waterloo now constitutes a public nuisance and public health hazard, and is destructive to the ecology and natural beauty of the Waterloo Recreation Area, and

Whereas, "Camp Waterloo" was built and operated by Michigan Department of Corrections on property owned by Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and

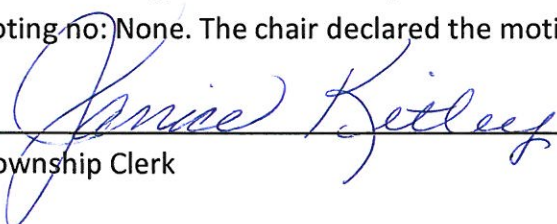
Whereas, The Michigan Department of Natural Resources is the state regulatory agency tasked with oversight of the Waterloo Recreation Area, and


Whereas, the mission of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources is to conserve, protect, and manage the use and enjoyment of the state's natural resources for current and future generations, and

Therefore, The Waterloo Township Board, Jackson County Michigan calls upon Department of Corrections Director, Mr. Daniel H. Heyns to immediately begin demolition of Camp Waterloo, and to restore it to its original natural state in a timely manner.

Waterloo Township Board

Motion was made by Richardson with support from Walz to adopt the foregoing resolution at the regular board meeting on December 21, 2011. Those voting yes were: Lance, Walz, Richardson, Parks, Kitley. Those voting no: None. The chair declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.


Township Clerk


Date