

Resolution Authorizing Proposal Submission from Non-State Entities

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County seeks \$450,000 to overcome the “nature gap” for racially and ethnically diverse Minnesotans with culturally-relevant nature interpretation and outreach.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Ramsey County supports the above referenced project and authorizes the submittal of a proposal for funding of this project on behalf of the Ramsey County to the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) in response to the 2026 Environmental and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF) Request for Proposal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That, if funding is awarded, the Ramsey County agrees to accept the award and may enter into an agreement with the state of Minnesota for the above referenced project. The Ramsey County will comply with all applicable laws, environmental requirements, and regulations and any additional conditions stated in the grant agreement and the approved LCCMR work plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Ramsey County understands that grants from the ENRTF are generally paid out on a reimbursement basis. The Ramsey County has the financial capability to pay for project expenses prior to seeking reimbursement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Ramsey County certifies none of the current principals of Ramsey County have been convicted of a felony financial crime in the last ten years. For this purpose, a principal is defined as a public official, a board member, or staff that would have the authority to access or determine the use of ENRTF funds, if awarded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That County Manager Ling Becker is hereby authorized to execute such agreements and work plans as necessary and Parks & Recreation Director Mark McCabe and Director of Park Operations Kristopher Lencowski are authorized to implement the project on behalf of the Ramsey County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Ramsey County has the financial capability to meet the match requirements and ensure adequate construction, operation, and maintenance of the project once completed.

Rafael Ortega, Chair

Ramsey County Board of Commissioners

Date: _____

Jason Yang, Chief Clerk

Ramsey County Board of Commissioners

Date: _____

Approval recommended by:



Mark McCabe

Director Parks & Recreation

Approved as to form:



Ramsey County Attorney's Office