## Resolution No. 2023-03 Authorizing Wautoma Area Fire District to Participate in the Wisconsin Service Award Program

WHEREAS, the Wautoma Area Fire District (WAFD) operates a volunteer fire department and thus utilizes the services of volunteer firefighters; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Dakota is a member of the WAFD, which provides fire protection services and emergency medical response; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin (State) has designed a service award program (Program), which allows private vendors to offer plans that provide benefits to volunteer firefighters that render firefighting services, and to a municipality that participates in the Program; and

WHEREAS, the State will match the annual contributions, made by a municipality choosing to participate in the Program on behalf of its volunteer firefighters, up to a statutory maximum per individual, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Dakota wishes to participate in the Program for the benefit of the WAFD's volunteer firefighters, and understands that the WAFD agrees to abide by all pertinent state and federal statutes, regulations, rules and procedures pertaining to the Program, as well as any requirements of the private vendor chosen by the WAFD; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Dakota agrees to the standards WAFD develops for determining the service required of its volunteer firefighters in order to qualify for an annual contribution;

NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion duly made and seconded, the Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Dakota passes the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Dakota hereby declares that it authorizes the WAFD to participate in the State of Wisconsin Service Award Program, provided that the WAFD abides by all pertinent statutes, rules, regulations, procedures and other requirements of the Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all funds necessary to provide for annual contributions now and in the future under the Program be appropriated as part of the WAFD's annual budget, and the Town of Dakota's contribution to the revenues of said budget.

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Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:	{ } Voice Vote

Approved and adopted this 10 <sup>th</sup> day of J	uly 2023.
☐ Denied this 10 <sup>th</sup> day of July 2023.	
Signed: Tony Peterson, Chair	Attest:  Melanie R. Stake, Clerk
Jeremy Kubasta, Supervisor #1  Gary Grenier, Supervisor #2	