

2 **RESOLUTION: Authorize Five-Year Cooperative Service Agreement Between Winnebago**
3 **County and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) and**
4 **United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)/Animal Plant Health**
5 **Inspection Service, Wildlife Services (APHIS WS)**
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7 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

8 **WHEREAS**, the Black Bear, Canada Goose, White-tailed Deer, and Wild Turkey populations in portions of
9 Winnebago County are at levels that may cause damage to agricultural and forest crops; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the producer’s costs of production of agricultural and forest crops have increased substantially
11 over time; and

12 **WHEREAS**, § 29.889, Wis Stats, and NR12, Wis Admin Code provide a State funded Wildlife Damage
13 Abatement and Claims Program (WDACP) to reimburse participating producers for crop losses caused by certain
14 wildlife; and

15 **WHEREAS**, administrative participation is required of Winnebago County to make its land eligible for the
16 WDAP; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Winnebago County will be reimbursed by WDNR for all associated costs incurred in the
18 administration and implementation of the WDACP; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Winnebago County may, through formal agreement, cooperate with APHIS WS and ESNR to
20 make the WDACP available to eligible producers.

21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby
22 authorizes the Land and Water Conservation Department/Land Conservation Committee to enter into a five (5)-year
23 Cooperative Service Agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) and the United
24 States Department of Agriculture (USDA)/Animal Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Services (WPHIS WS) for
25 the Administration and Implementation of Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims Program (WDACP).

26 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that the revenue and
27 expenses associated with this Program continue to be included within the appropriate accounts in the Land and
28 Water Conservation Department Annual Budget.

29 Respectfully submitted by:
30 **LAND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE**

31 Committee Vote: **7-0**
32 Vote Required for Passage: **Majority of Those Present**
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34 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this ____ day of _____, 2013.

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37 Mark L Harris
38 Winnebago County Executive