## **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-50**

RESOLUTION BY THE PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE FUTURE ACQUISITION OF LANDS WITHIN THE FOX RIVER CORRIDOR USING LAWCON FUNDS FOR PURPOSES OF PARKLAND AND OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that lands within the Fox River corridor, including but not limited to the property shown in the map attached hereto as Exhibit A, are designated as target areas for acquisition through voluntary negotiation by Racine County and the various landowners;

 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the County is authorized to accept title to property within the target areas referenced above, if mutually acceptable terms and conditions can be negotiated between the County and the various landowners; and the Public Works Committee is authorized to give final approval of the acceptance of title to the specific parcels located within the target areas, and under the following additional terms and conditions:

1. A title search shall be completed indicating clear and good ownership of the property;

2. The Public Works Department must obtain approval from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the use of LAWCON funds;

3. The process of acquisition of the property must be completed in compliance with all federal and state rules and regulations concerning LAWCON funds.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that any administrative or incidental costs associated with the purchase of the property, are authorized and approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that additional terms and conditions may be applicable as the Corporation Counsel, the Finance Director, and the Department of Public Works deem necessary and appropriate.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the County Clerk, and the County Board Chairman, and the Corporation Counsel where appropriate, are authorized to execute any contracts, agreements or other documents necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that any action taken by the Committee under this resolution be reported to the full Board at the next Board meeting.

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3 4			Respectfully submitted,
5 6 7	1st Reading		PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
8 9	2nd Reading		
10 11	BOARD ACTION Adopted		Jeff Halbach, Chairman
12 13 14	For Against Absent		Gilbert Bakke, Vice-Chairman
15 16 17	VOTE REQUIRED:	Majority	Mike Dawson, Secretary
18 19 20	Prepared by: Corporation Counsel	l	Katherine Buske
21 22 23			Kenneth Hall
<ul><li>24</li><li>25</li><li>26</li></ul>			Daniel F. Sharkozy
27 28			Donnie Snow
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40 41	INFORMATION ONLY  WHEREAS, the LAWCON fund was created with proceeds from the sale of County land near lives Grove to WISPARK, and is intended for the purchase of targeted open space and outdoor recreation public lands such as those within the Fox River corridor, including but not limited to the property designated in the map attached hereto as Exhibit A; and		
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48 49 50	<b>WHEREAS</b> , the National Park Service has approved lands within the Fox River corridor as replacement sites for the LAWCON conversion program; and		
51 52 53	<b>WHEREAS</b> , the acquisition of the designated property is consistent and in keeping with the Racine County Park and Open Space Plan adopted by the Racine County Board of Supervisors.		

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WHEREAS, the language in this resolution mirrors that of Resolution 95-127, approved on November 7, 1995, with the exception that the river corridor considered in Resolution No. 95-127 involved the Root River rather than the Fox River.