SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING CITY OF CROSSLAKE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023 9:30 A.M. – CITY HALL

The Council for the City of Crosslake met in a Special Session on Wednesday, February 22, 2023. The following Council Members were present: Mayor Dave Nevin, Aaron Herzog, Marcia Seibert-Volz, Sandy Farder, and Jackson Purfeerst. Also present were City Administrator Mike Lyonais, Park Director TJ Graumann and City Clerk Char Nelson.

Dave Nevin called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M.

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MOTION 02SP2-01-23 WAS MADE BY MARCIA SEIBERT-VOLZ AND SECONDED BY JACKSON PURFEERST TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 23-04 SUPPORTING STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE NATIONAL LOON CENTER. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

MOTION 02SP2-02-23 WAS MADE BY JACKSON PURFEERST AND SECONDED BY AARON HERZOG TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:35 A.M. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charlene Nelson

City Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 23-04

CITY OF CROSSLAKE COUNTY OF CROW WING STATE OF MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE NATIONAL LOON CENTER

WHEREAS, the mission of the National Loon Center is to create a world-class public facility that educates and embraces the study and preservation of our state bird and the on-going effort to conserve and preserve its natural habitat, the Whitefish Chain of Lakes; and

WHEREAS, the National Loon Center enjoys widespread community support, including from the Brainerd Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce, Crosslake Ideal Lions Club, Crosslakers and the Whitefish Area Property Owners Association; and

WHEREAS, the National Loon Center is a major economic contributor to the community of Crosslake, supporting sustainable growth in the areas of tourism and trade while welcoming a projected 200,000 annual visitors; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Justin Eichorn, State Representative Ben Davis, and State Representative Josh Heintzeman are co-authors of SF 1092 and HF 976 seeking state bonding funds of \$8.65 million for a grant to the City of Crosslake to be utilized for site preparation, predesign, construction, furnishing and equipping of the National Loon Center in the City of Crosslake; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake is also seeking federal funding in the amount of \$2 million through Congressionally Directed Spending requests to U.S. Congressman Pete Stauber, U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar, and U.S. Senator Tina Smith to fund part of the National Loon Center project; and

WHEREAS, there are no costs to the City of Crosslake or its residents related to this state or federal funding; and

WHEREAS, the City of Crosslake supports seeking state and federal funding for the National Loon Center.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Crosslake supports seeking state bonding funds in the amount of \$8.65 million for the National Loon Center, and requests support from our state legislators for these State bonding funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Crosslake supports seeking federal funding for the National Loon Center in the amount of \$2 million through

Congressionally Directed Spending requests to U.S. Congressman Pete Stauber, U.S. Senator
Amy Klobuchar, and U.S Senator Tina Smith, and requests their support of this federal funding

Adopted by the Crosslake City Council this 22 day of February, 2023.

Dave Nevin

Mayor

Michael R. Lyonais
City Administrator