RESOLUTION TO OBTAIN A GRANT FROM THE GREAT LAKES RESTORATION INIATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE FOR TREE REPLACEMENT TO MITIGATE THE DESTRUCTION OF THE EMERALD ASH BORER

WHEREAS, the City of Manitowoc is interested in obtaining a cost-sharing grant from the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission (BLRPC) for the purpose of funding Emerald Ash Borer mitigation projects under funding originating from the U.S. Forest Service, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative; and,

WHEREAS, BLRPC and the Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) are offering Tree Planting grants of up to \$20,000 to municipalities to plant trees to mitigate the impacts of the Emerald Ash Borer and reduce runoff in urban communities; and,

WHEREAS, on July 26, 2017, the City of Manitowoc received confirmation from the WDNR that the Emerald Ash Borer had been detected in the City; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Manitowoc shall comply with all local, state, and federal laws and regulations relating to this project and the cost-share agreement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor Justin M. Nickels and the Common Council of the City of Manitowoc that the City supports the grant application that was filed on April 9, 2018 and that there are sufficient funds in the City's non-lapsing tree fund to fully and satisfactorily complete the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to authorize and empower the City DPI Business Manager, to act on its behalf to submit interim and final reports, as well as reimbursement requests (including invoices) to the BLRPC.

INTRODUCED	ADOPTED _	 APPROVED_	
Justin M. Nickels, Mayor			

Fiscal Impact: \$5,453.41

Funding Source: 1100-00000-342712 (non-lapsing tree fund)

Finance Director Approval: /sc Approved as to form: /kmm

This resolution was drafted by Karen Dorow, Business Manager

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