



**RESOLUTION 11-02-17
RE: PROPOSED NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY
ON THE WESTERN SHORES OF LAKE MICHIGAN
SUBMITTED BY**

The TOWN OF TWO CREEKS. MANITOWOC COUNTY, WI

WHERE AS; The strength of our republic is in local governance and the respect for individual property rights;

WHERE AS; The Federal Government through the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) would remove local control of 1,260 sq. miles of Lake Michigan from Ozaukee County through Manitowoc County;

WHERE AS; The scope of the Marine Sanctuary would include the high water mark of lake Michigan, which would impose restrictions on lakeshore property owners and use of beaches (metal detectors, removal of driftwood, etc);

WHERE AS; NOAA's possession of the 1,260 square miles of Lake Michigan is irreversible;

WHERE AS; there are current laws that protect shipwrecks;

WHERE AS; NOAA has expand sanctuaries in other locations and may do the same into Kewaunee and Door Counties;

(NOTE: Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary in Lake Huron began in October, 2000, with 448 square miles and in 2012, was expanded to 4,300 square miles.)

WHERE AS; once the Marine Sanctuary is established and under Federal control (NOAA), restrictions can be imposed on commercial and sport fishing;

WHERE AS; tourism and promotion efforts surrounding shipwrecks and the use of Lake Michigan can be coordinated via State, Regional and Local agencies;

WHERE AS; NOAA may implement permit and fee structures to enjoy activities that there are no current charges;

WHERE AS; The Federal Government is already trillions of dollars in debt and should not expand into areas now under local control and take on additional deb with costs of operating research ships, federal enforcement agents and vehicles.

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED; THAT THE UNDERSIGNED ARE ON RECORD AS BEING OPPOSED TO NOAA CREATING A NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ON THE WESTERN SHORE OF LAKE MICHIGAN AND REQUEST THAT THE GOVERNOR AND OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS DO THE SAME AND KEEP JURISDICTION OF LAKE MICHIGAN AT THE STATE LEVEL.

DATED THIS 13 OF November 2017.

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