RESOLUTION # 26-10-19

TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RE: DONATION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BUS TO THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION.

WHEREAS, La Crosse County Emergency Management has possessed a 1992 Bluebird Bus which has been designated as a Mobile Command and Communications Vehicle since 2003; and,

WHEREAS, this bus was donated to La Crosse County by Franciscan-Skemp Health Care System (now Mayo Clinic Health Systems) and accepted through a La Crosse County Board Resolution in February 2003; and,

WHEREAS, there has been some use of the bus for special events and public relation appearances; however there has been limited uses for actual Command or Communication functions in its 16-years of service to La Crosse County; and,

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Valley Amateur Radio Association (MVARA) is a group of licensed Amateur Radio operators from the La Crosse area and have participated in emergency preparedness exercises in La Crosse County to support scene communications and have participated in the National Weather Service Sky Warn program along with various other community projects; and,

WHEREAS, the intent of the MVARA is to use the vehicle for both emergency and non-emergency amateur radio communications and the vehicle would be available to be deployed, if requested, in a support role for La Crosse County, and its communities, in the event of an emergency; and

WHEREAS, this bus has facilities specialized and intended for on-site public safety communications, including internal and external lighting, generator, equipment room, ample counter space and an attached mobile radio communications tower.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board donates the Mobile Command and Communications vehicle to the Mississippi Valley Amateur Radio Association.

FISCAL NOTE: The cost to remove the Emergency Management equipment and lighting is approximately $200, with the funding coming from account 100.190.2200-60600.12 Maintenance and Repairs in the 2019 Emergency Management budget.

Date: October 8, 2019

COMMITTEE CHAIR

RECORDING CLERK

Reviewed Only Recommended Not Recommended

Co. Admin. 0 30 Requested By: Jay Loeffler
Fin. Director
Corp. Counsel
Board Chair

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this Day of October, 2019

STATE OF WISCONSIN
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE

I, Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 17th day of October 2019.

Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk