RESOLUTION # 7-5/23
TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RE: APPROVAL OF REQUEST FROM THE TOWN OF CAMPBELL FOR RELEASE OF $500,000 TO CONDUCT ADDITIONAL RESEARCH TO ASSIST IN FINDING LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS TO REMEDIATE PFAS CONTAMINATION

WHEREAS, Per-and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS), a “forever chemical” was located in Town of Campbell wells in 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Health has issued a health advisory recommending a safe interim water source of bottled water for the entire Town population; and,

WHEREAS, as part of the 2023 budget, the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors pledged $500,000 as a placeholder to provide assistance to the Town of Campbell in conducting additional research for a safe and sustainable long-term water solution; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Campbell has conducted a feasibility study, drilled a 500-foot test well below the contaminated ground water aquifer, beneath multiple layers of protective rock, into the deep Mt. Simon aquifer, and has worked with and continues to work with local, state and federal organizations to determine the best long-term viable solution for a safe and permanent water source; and,

WHEREAS, in its continued study of best options to provide safe water, the Town of Campbell is exploring the creation of its own water system; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Campbell has requested the release of $500,000 to conduct additional research for a safe long-term water solution which will lay the groundwork to receive state and federal grants.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the La Crosse County Board hereby approves the request by the Town of Campbell to release $500,000 to conduct further studies to aid in finding long-term solutions to remediate PFAS contamination.

FISCAL NOTE: The 2023 budget provided $500,000 funding for the Town of Campbell to continue its study on a long-term water solution from budget line item 100.155.1450 (64200.10)

Date: 5/10/23

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Reviewed Only Recommended Not Recommended
Co. Admin. □ □
Fin. Director □ □
Corp. Counsel □ □
Board Chair □ □

Date: 5/10/23

RECORDING CLERK

Requested By: County Board Chair
Drafted By: County Administrator
Date Requested: April 19, 2023

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 18 Day of May, 2023

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 18th day of May 2023.

Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk