

RESOLUTION NUMBER 23-2023

**Resolution in opposition to Wisconsin Legislative Reference Bureau 2023 Bill  
Proposal LRB-3518/1**

The County Board of Supervisors of Green Lake County, Green Lake, Wisconsin, duly assembled at its regular meeting begun on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2023, does resolve as follows:

- 1 **WHEREAS**, a proposed bill to amend and create statutory authority regulating
- 2 wakesurfing and wakeboarding has been created in the form of LRB-3518/1.
- 3 **WHEREAS**, said bill proposes to create restrictions specifically on wakeboarding and
- 4 wakesurfing on Wisconsin waters.
- 5 **WHEREAS**, said bill would significantly hinder a local municipality's ability to create and
- 6 pass its own laws, tailored to address its own unique, local issues.
- 7 **WHEREAS**, said bill would establish parameters at the state level that would apply the
- 8 same to all Wisconsin waters, regardless of size and circumstances.
- 9 **WHEREAS**, said bill fails to mention any scientific data supporting its proposed actions.
- 10 No fiscal impact anticipated.
- 11 Majority vote is needed to pass.

Roll Call on Resolution No. 23-2023

Submitted by Land Conservation  
Committee:

Ayes 17, Nays 0, Absent 2, Abstain 0

*/s/ Bob Schweder*

Bob Schweder, Chair

Passed and Adopted/~~Rejected~~ this 14<sup>th</sup>  
day of November, 2023.

*Approved via remote access*

Ken Bates, Vice-Chair

*/s/ David Abendroth*

County Board Chairman

*/s/ Bill Boutwell*

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*/s/ Elizabeth Otto*

ATTEST: County Clerk  
Approve as to Form:

*/s/ Nancy Hiestand*

Nancy Hiestand

*/s/ Jeffrey Mann*

Corporation Counsel

*/s/ Arnold Dahlke*

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12 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Green Lake County Board of  
13 Supervisors recognizes that wakeboarding and wakesurfing possess the potential to  
14 impact multiple public waters located within Green Lake County.

15 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Green Lake County Board of Supervisors does  
16 not support 2023 LRB-3518/1 in its current form.

17 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Green Lake County Board of Supervisors prefers  
18 for local municipalities to maintain a higher degree of autonomy in addressing this issue.

19 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Green Lake County Board of Supervisors  
20 believes that any proposal be based upon reliable, scientific findings and that any  
21 proposed legislation refer to the same.

22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be sent to all counties,  
23 Wisconsin Counties Association, the legislature, Governor, and secretary of the DNR.