DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY SLOW NO WAKE ZONE ON WICAWAK (SQUAW) BAY

As a result of recent rainfall the level of Lake Monona has risen. The current water level of Lake Monona is 846.78 feet above sea level. The high water levels pose a significant threat to shoreline erosion and damage to property in the area of Belle Isle in the City of Monona and Wicawak Bay.

Section 72.08(3)(a)1 of the Dane County Code of Ordinances authorizes the County Executive, with the approval of the Sheriff and the County Board Chair to declare all or any portion of the surface area of Lakes Mendota, Monona, Waubesa and Kegonsa as a slow-no-wake zone during periods of high water posing a threat to life or property.

The County of Dane hereby declares the surface area of Wicawak Bay on Lake Monona to be a slow-no-wake zone, effective at noon on July 16, 2020. The slow-no-wake zone shall extend from the Winnequah Boat Landing south to the opposite shore and will be clearly marked by slow-no-wake buoys. Slow-no-wake speed is defined as the minimum speed at which motorized watercraft is able to move and maintain steerage.

This Declaration will be rescinded when the water level of Lake Monona is below 846.40 feet above sea level for five consecutive days.

Violation of the slow-no-wake restriction is subject to punishment by citation and forfeiture.

Dated this 16th day of July 2020.

Joe Parisi

Dane County Executive

David J. Mahoney

Dane County Sheriff

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Chair, Dane County Board