VILLAGE OF WALDO SHEBOYGAN COUNTY, WISCONSIN RESOLUTION NO. 2025-03

A RESOLUTION PETITIONING THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO LOWER THE SPEED LIMIT ON STATE HIGHWAY 28 THROUGH THE VILLAGE OF WALDO

WHEREAS, the Village of Waldo, located in Sheboygan County, Wisconsin, is home to a diverse community consisting of residential properties, businesses, and community services; and

WHEREAS, State Highway 28 passes through the heart of the Village of Waldo, and the current speed limit on this highway is 55 miles per hour outside of the business district, which poses a potential safety risk to pedestrians, residents, and workers in the area; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has observed that vehicles traveling through the Village do not begin to reduce speed until they reach Mowtown Drive, and this has been a cause for concern, particularly as there are three businesses and four residential properties located near the highway; and

WHEREAS, the Village is home to a drug rehabilitation center where many individuals walk along the highway, increasing the risk of accidents and safety concerns due to high-speed traffic; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board believes that reducing the speed limit through the Village will create a safer environment for pedestrians, residents, and drivers alike, especially considering the close proximity of homes, businesses, and the rehabilitation center to the highway.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village Board of Waldo, as follows:

- 1. The Village of Waldo requests that the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) lower the speed limit on State Highway 28 through the Village, starting at Blueberry Drive, from its current limit of 55 mph to 35 mph, in order to encourage drivers to reduce speed earlier as they approach the Village.
- 2. Additionally, the Village of Waldo requests that the speed limit on State Highway 28 be further reduced from 35 mph to 30 mph from Mowtown Drive through the Village to State Hwy 57, to provide additional safety for pedestrians and residents, given the increased pedestrian traffic and proximity of homes, businesses, and community services.
- 3. The Village of Waldo respectfully petitions the DOT to review and approve this request to improve the safety and well-being of the Village residents and visitors.
- 4. The Village of Waldo stands ready to provide any further information, data, or testimony to assist in the DOT's consideration of this petition.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be submitted to Rod Hamilton, Traffic Impact Analysis Regional Contact at the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, 944 Vanderperren Way, Green Bay, WI 54304.

Approved and adopted this of February 2025.

Gary Dekker, Village President

ATTEST:

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Village Clerk/Treasurer