

Sent back to the
Committee. Will be
brought back as soon
as possible.

Amended
RESOLUTION # 12-2024

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4 **Resolution on Enhanced Wake Regulations**
5 **Excessive**

6 Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the
7 Conservation and UW-Extension Education Committee

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9 Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

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11 **WHEREAS**, Oneida County has over 1,100 lakes, rivers, and streams, and contains one of
12 the highest concentrations of natural lakes in the world, and

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14 **WHEREAS**, Oneida County recognizes the importance of the quality of our waters to its
15 citizens and local economies, and

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17 **WHEREAS**, the lakes of Oneida County, Wisconsin are integral to the recreational base of
18 the economy in Oneida County, and

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20 **WHEREAS**, legislation has been proposed to regulate ~~wakesurfing and wakeboarding~~ ^{Excessive Wakes}, and

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22 **WHEREAS**, the legislation as currently written fails to set minimum standards for the
23 protection of private property, public safety and enjoyment, and aquatic environments, and

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25 **WHEREAS**, towns in Oneida County have already set or are in the process of setting
26 standards that use evidence from aquatic and engineering studies which protect shorelines of
27 lakes in Oneida County from erosion by these enhanced wakes, and

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29 **WHEREAS**, the legislation fails to include a standard related to wake depth that would
30 protect water quality in lakes from scouring by enhanced wakes, and

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32 **WHEREAS**, the legislation also fails to address the transfer of AIS through ballast water
33 tanks and/or bladders,

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35 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors
36 does recommend that the Wisconsin Legislature engage in meaningful discussions to pass
37 standards that balance the right of everyone to recreate on waters of the State of Wisconsin,
38 and

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40 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Wisconsin's local governments deserve local control to
41 set their own standards beyond state minimums, of at least ~~500~~²⁰⁰ feet from the shore, and to
42 prohibit ~~enhanced~~ wake creation in waters shallower than at least ~~30~~¹⁵ feet in depth, and

43 **Excessive**
44 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Wisconsin Legislature address the transfer of
45 aquatic invasive species through ballast water tanks and/or bladders for the protection of water
46 quality that drives the economy of Oneida County.

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48 Approved by the Conservation and UW-Extension Education Committee this 11th day of
49 December, 2023.
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Vote Required: Majority = 2/3 Majority = _____ 3/4 Majority = _____

The County Board has the legal authority to adopt: Yes No _____ as reviewed
by the Corporation Counsel, _____, Date: 10.12.23

Consent Agenda Item: YES _____ NO


Offered and passage moved by:



Supervisor

Robert W. Jensen

Supervisor



Supervisor

Denise Newman

Supervisor

Collette Sargel

Supervisor

_____ Ayes

_____ Nays

_____ Absent

_____ Abstain

_____ Adopted

Adopted by the County Board of Supervisors this 16th day January, 2024.

~~_____ Defeated~~

Tracy Hartman, County Clerk

Scott Holewinski, County Board Chair

Resolution: # 12-2024

Amendment #1

Passed

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Schreier		X		
Rio		X		
Sorgel		X		
Fried	X			
Condado			X	
Oettinger			X	
Winkler		X		
Fisher			X	
Briggs	X			
Showalter	X			
Schultz	X			
Almekinder	X			
Harris	X			
Timmons	X			
Cushing	X			
Roach	X			
Jensen	X			
Ryden	X			
Newman		X		
Kelly			X	
Holewinski		X		
TOTALS	11	10	4	
TAGS				

Motion by Showalter to:
 amend line 4 to strike the word "enhanced" and insert the word "excessive"
 amend line 20 to strike "~~wakesurfing and wakeboarding~~" and insert "excessive wakes"
 amend line 41 to change 500 feet to 300 feet and amend line 42 to amend 30 feet to 15 feet
 amend line 42 to strike the word "~~enhanced~~" and insert the word "excessive"

Seconded by Roach

Resolution # 12-2024

Amendment #2 - Amended by Amendment #3

Passed

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Sorgel	X			
Ryden	X			
Oettinger			X	
Rio	X			
Newman	X			
Cushing	X			
Roach	X			
Timmons	X			
Kelly			X	
Condado			X	
Schreier	X			
Jensen	X			
Almekinder	X			
Fisher			X	
Showalter	X			
Harris	X			
Briggs	X			
Winkler	X			
Fried	X			
Schultz	X			
Holewinski	X			
TOTALS	17		4	
TAGS				

Motion by Winkler to send Resolution #12-2024 back to committee and bring back to the March Februry or March County Board Meeting.

Seconded by Showalter

Resolution # 12-2024

Amendment # 3 to amend previous motion

Passed

Supervisors	AYE	NAY	ABS	ABSTAIN
Roach	X			
Newman	X			
Fisher	—		X	
Showalter	X			
Timmons	X			
Harris	X			
Schultz	X			
Rio	X			
Kelly	—		X	
Winkler	X			
Oettinger	—		X	
Briggs	X			
Condado	—		X	
Fried	X			
Schreier	X			
Sorgel	X			
Jensen	X			
Almekinder	X			
Cushing	X			
Ryden	X			
Holewinski	X			
TOTALS	17		4	
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Motion by Timmons to amend the motion made by Winkler to state that it will be brought back to the County Board as soon as possible.

Seconded by Harris