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Mr Joe Chase, Mayor City of Sun Prairie 300 East Main Street Sun Prairie, WI 53590 07/13/10 13/14/28

Re:

Approval of the "Final Town of Burke, Village of DeForest, City of Sun Prairie, and City of Madison Cooperative Plan"

Dear Chairperson Viney, Mayor Cieslewicz, President Miller, and Mayor Chase;

On behalf of the Department of Administration, I am pleased to provide you with our approval of your "Cooperative Plan" that is dated May 4, 2007.

Congratulations on your long, complicated, and ultimately successful effort! Acting in concert, your four communities are making Wisconsin history through your willingness to engage in effective and collaborative long-term problem-solving.

In particular, I would like to recognize your counsel and staff who assisted the department during our review: Attorneys James M. Voss and Katherine C. Noonan, Planning Unit Director Bradley J. Murphy, Attorney H. Stanley Riffle, Administrator Amy Volkman, Administrator JoAnn Miller, Attorney Allen D. Reuter, Administrator Patrick Cannon and Attorney Paul Evert.

This innovative and exemplary agreement is clearly a team effort on the part of your four communities, and we appreciate the very thoughtful problem solving and integration of ideas and future visions that it represents. This agreement will be a useful guide for other jurisdictions with a history of complicated intergovernmental interactions.

Should you, your staff, council, or board members have any questions concerning our approval document, or subsequent cooperative agreement implementation issues, please do not hesitate to contact me at (608) 266-0683

George Hall

Municipal Boundary Review

Attachment

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