A RESOLUTION

Commending, Honoring and Expressing Appreciation to WPCRC Advisory Committee Member JoAnn Walker.

Preamble

WHEREAS JoAnn Walker was appointed to serve on the WPCRC Advisory Committee, a subcommittee to the Board of Park Commissioners, in May 1997, and

WHEREAS JoAnn Walker served as Chair or Vice-Chair to the Advisory Committee from February 2003 until March 2011 and during her tenure also served on the Advisory Committee Restructuring subcommittee, 5 and 10 year Anniversary Planning committees, WPCRC Center Circle Committee. JoAnn continues to be active on the Center Circle of Friends and volunteers daily at the customer service desk and

WHEREAS her years of primary and secondary education and teaching and being an All American at Madison College and Central High School were instrumental in redefining the advisory committee make-up and establishing behavior guidelines for the Center and

WHEREAS JoAnn's original interest in the WPCRC was to ensure that the facility would be a first class structure with first class amenities that would be a welcoming place for everyone in the community, JoAnn's insight contributed greatly to the mission statement of the WPCRC to be a gathering place which provides innovative growth and enrichment opportunities for the Madison community and connects people of all ages, races and cultural backgrounds and

WHEREAS Former District 18 Alder and former Northside Planning Council member, Paul Van Rooy noted that he was thrilled to see JoAnn's application for the Advisory Committee back in 1997 and knew she would be a dedicated individual with a wealth of information and real-life experience to bring to the table for the Center and

WHEREAS JoAnn has continually demonstrated the highest level of dedication and support to the Center and upheld consistent and admirable standards to the mission of the Center and the Advisory Committee and its by-laws. Her relationships with the Madison community and the Northside are admirable and she is well-known to many Madisonians as a result of her successful years of teaching, coaching and public service. JoAnn's humble demeanor makes her truly one of a kind.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Madison Board of Park Commissioners' President David Wallner, the remaining Park Commissioners, the Madison Parks Foundation and Parks Division staff extend their gratitude and appreciation to JoAnn Walker for her commitment and dedication to uphold the legacy of the original members of the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association, and the current policies of the City of Madison Board of Park Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a copy of this Resolution be framed and given to JoAnn Walker in recognition of and commendation for her service to the City.

Dated this 11 day of May, 2011

<u> David Wallner</u>

David Wallner, President of the Board of Park Commissioners

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