



## Legislation Text

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### **Fiscal Note**

No City appropriation required.

### **Title**

Commending William Schaefer, Transportation Planning Manager for the Greater Madison MPO, on his retirement after nearly 25 years of dedicated public planning service

### **Body**

WHEREAS, William “Bill” Schaefer has served the cause of sound, coordinated land use and transportation planning in the Madison Metropolitan Area for nearly 25 years; and

WHEREAS, from August 1998 to December 1999 Bill Schaefer served on the staff of the former Dane County Regional Planning Commission in the Transportation Planning Services section, the MPO arm of the Commission serving the Madison Metropolitan Planning Area; and

WHEREAS, since January 2000, Bill Schaefer served on the staff of the Greater Madison MPO, the last 12 years as Planning Manager; and

WHEREAS, Bill Schaefer has fostered a climate of respect and teamwork among colleagues; and

WHEREAS, Bill Schaefer was instrumental in leading the agency through multiple updates to the Regional Transportation Plan, the prioritization and approval of projects of regional significance through the annual Transportation Improvement Program, and numerous other transportation planning and programming efforts during his tenure as Planning Manager of the MPO; and

WHEREAS, Bill Schaefer has championed a regional vision at the MPO that balances the diverse needs and interests of its constituent jurisdictions and residents, and sets the stage for continuing improvements in environmental sustainability, economic growth, and quality of life for the residents of Dane County and the Madison Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, Bill Schaefer is recognized for his skillful and diplomatic approach to collaborating with a broad array of public agencies, policy makers, and residents in developing and refining a long-term vision for transportation in the region, and developing and implementing plans, projects, and programs to assist in achieving that vision; and

WHEREAS, Bill Schaefer has been a tireless advocate for equity and the safety and needs of all roadway users, including transit riders, bicyclists, and pedestrians; improving access and mobility for all people in the region, while preserving and enhancing the environment and overall quality of life in the Madison Metropolitan Area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Madison does hereby offer, on behalf of the entire transportation planning community in Madison and Dane County, great thanks and appreciation for the many years of service and devotion of Bill Schaefer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Madison wishes him a healthy and fulfilling retirement consisting of spending time with his family, enjoying live music, playing pickleball and tennis, pursuing any other interests

and activities, and traveling extensively on safe, efficient, and sustainable modes of transportation.