

# LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

## **Executive Summary for Action**

Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers Meeting Wednesday, August 15, 2018

#### Agenda Item

Item 6. A. - Recognition of Contributions by Yvonne Shirk to LMRWD

#### **Prepared By**

Linda Loomis, Administrator

#### Summary

In recognition of Yvonne Shirk's service to the District, Resolution 18-06 is presented for adoption by the Board. In addition, a plaque has been ordered to present the former President Shirk. President Shirk was first appointed to the Board and sworn in July, 2011 representing Dakota County. She served as Vice President of the District from 2014 to 2015 and as President from 2015 until her resignation from the Board in June 2018.

During that time Yvonne provided dedicated leadership to the Board and added a common sense approach to managing the resources of the District. Once adopted and signed the resolution will be sent to Yvonne with the plaque. Managers will be sent a proof of the plaque once it has been received.

#### Attachments

**RESOLUTION 18-06** - A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTION OF YVONNE SHIRK TO THE LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

#### **Recommended Action**

Motion to adopt Resolution 18-06

### **RESOLUTION 18-06**

## LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS

## A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTION OF YVONNE SHIRK TO THE LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District (the "District") is a special purpose unit of government established in accordance with Minnesota State Statute 103D; and

WHEREAS, under said Statute, the District is charged with the responsibility for the management of storm water, to protect persons and property from flooding, to protect and preserve the water quality of lakes, streams, rivers and wetlands within the boundaries of the District and downstream receiving waters. In addition to the duties, for which the District was created, of Local Sponsor for the US Army Corps of Engineers maintenance of the Nine Foot Navigation Channel; and

WHEREAS, Yvonne Shirk has served as a Manager, representing Dakota County, on the Board of Managers for the District from 2011 to the present, as Vice President from 2014 to 2015 and as President of the Board from 2015 to her resignation from the Board in 2018; and

WHEREAS, Yvonne has freely and generously given her time and knowledge, expertise and talent, without compensation, to serve the public and protect the environment; and

WHEREAS, Yvonne has provided her professional expertise, leadership and guidance to the District with vision, integrity, an open mind and a conscientious dedication to the mission of the District; and

WHEREAS, Yvonne provided leadership to the District, during the development of the District's Dredge Management Plan and operations; the 2012 Governance Study; the 2013 Strategic Resource Evaluation, the 2015 Plan Amendment; the Plan clarification in 2016 and the most recent Plan Amendment/Update and development of many other activities and projects, as well as an overarching concern for the Minnesota River; and

WHEREAS, Yvonne has always treated the public, staff and fellow commissioners with respect and courtesy, and presided over meetings of the District with fairness and common sense.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers hereby expresses its sincere and grateful appreciation to Yvonne Shirk for her many years of distinguished service to the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District and the public. Adopted by the Board of Managers of the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District this 15th day of August, 2018.

Attested:

Jesse Hartmann, President

David Raby, Secretary