

CITY OF CARVER CARVER COUNTY, MINNESOTA RESOLUTION NO. 114-19

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE CARVER LEVEE CERTIFICATION PROJECT

WHEREAS, nearly 10,000 years ago the Glacial River Warren carved a new landscape though Minnesota, which we recognize today as the Minnesota River Valley; and

WHEREAS, the City of Carver was founded in 1852 and developed as a town site by the Carver Land Company along the banks of the Minnesota River; and

WHEREAS, following the devastating floods of 1965, residents and community stakeholders worked together to plan, construct, and pay for what we all know as the Carver Levee; and

WHEREAS, the City of Carver has spent nearly \$1,000,000 over the last 10 years to initiate temporary flood protection measures, conduct technical engineering studies, and make repairs to the aging Carver Levee caused by flood waters; and

WHEREAS, in 2018 the City of Carver developed a concept for the modernization and certification of the Carver Levee for \$10,000,000; and

WHEREAS, the modernization and certification of the Carver Levee would provide a long-term solution for flood concerns in the community, alleviating the burden of on-going levee repair projects, freeing property owners of burdensome flood insurance costs, and preserving the Carver Historic District, one of the nation's largest areas on the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, taxpayers and stakeholders of the City of Carver do not have the financial means to shoulder a \$10,000,000 infrastructure investment in the modernization and certification of the Carver Levee without significant financial support from other local, regional, and state partners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council supports and encourages efforts of residents, business owners, community stakeholders, City Staff, Council Members, and the Mayor to participate in advocacy efforts to establish financial and technical partnerships that will result in the modernization and certification of the Carver Levee.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Carver on this 15th day of April, 2019.

ATTEST:

Vicky Sons-Eiden, City Clerk/Treasurer