COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 2023-19

City of Biwabik, Minnesota

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE RICE LAKE ROAD CORRIDOR PROJECT

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is currently working on the development of the Rice Lake Road Corridor Project, located within the cities of Duluth and Rice Lake; and

WHEREAS, the goals of this project are to improve traffic operations and traffic safety while supporting future residential and business development along the Rice Lake Road corridor; and

WHEREAS, Rice Lake Road and Vermilion Trail, collectively known as County State Aid Highway No. 4, is a significant regional route because it connects the East Iron Range to the Twin Ports Metropolitan Area which includes the cities of Duluth, Hermantown and Rice Lake; and

WHERAS, the future success of Rice Lake Road is expected to economically benefit the East Iron Range; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is seeking funding for the Rice Lake Road Corridor Project through the RAISE Grant (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity) which is grant program in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of Biwabik supports St. Louis County's vision for the Rice Lake Road Corridor Project; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City Council of Biwabik supports St. Louis County's funding application to the RAISE Grant for the Rice Lake Road Corridor Project.

Adopted this 11th Day of September 2023

Jim Weikum, Mayor

Attest:

Jeff Jacobson, City Administrator

Moved by Councilor Biondich, supported by Councilor Micmi that the above resolution be adopted:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent: