RESOLUTION 2023-1109

A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A POLICY REGARDING THE FLYING OF FLAGS AT TOWN OF BLUE MOUNDS BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the Town of Blue Mounds is proud to display the American flag and the State of Wisconsin flag in appropriately designated places of Town property and Town buildings; and

WHEREAS, the question has been raised whether the Town of Blue Mounds would display other flags in addition to the American flag and the Wisconsin State flag; and

WHEREAS, by establishing a flag display policy, the Town of Blue Mounds Board intends to authorize flags on Town of Blue Mounds property and within Town of Blue Mounds buildings and to designate the particular approved flags; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board finds that, in recognition of the official governmental functions served by the Town, it is important to limit flags on Town property and in Town buildings to those that are specifically recognized by the State and federal government; and

WHEREAS, the National League of Families designed a POW/MIA flag in 1971 to honor the commitment and sacrifices made by this nation's prisoners of war and those who are still missing in action, as well as their families; and this flag has been recognized by the United States Congress and is flown, among other places, over the United States Capitol, the White House, every national cemetery, and every post office, on designated days; 2001 Wisconsin Act 100 designates the third Friday of September as POW/MIA recognition day in Wisconsin; the POW/MIA flag is displayed at the Wisconsin State Capitol and the Dane County Courthouse.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Town of Blue Mounds, Dane County, Wisconsin, that the following flags are authorized to be flown and displayed on property owned by the Town of Blue Mounds and within buildings owned by the Town of Blue Mounds;

- 1. The United States flag.
- 2. The Wisconsin State flag.
- 3. The National League of Families POW/MIA flag.

Dated this 11th day of September, 2023.

Dennis Jelle, Town Chairman

ATTEST:

Amanda Burghy, Town Clerk