MCHEMRY COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
RESOLUTION #15-18

AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS KNOWN COLLECTIVELY AS THE HACKMATACK CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP AND THE MCHEMRY COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR THE PROTECTION AND RESTORATION EFFORTS WITHIN THE HACKMATACK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE AREA

WHEREAS, the McHenry County Conservation District (hereinafter referred to as the "District"), the US Fish and Wildlife Service (hereinafter referred to as the "USFWS"), the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (hereinafter referred to as the "IDNR"), Ducks Unlimited, Openlands, McHenry County Conservation Foundation (hereinafter referred to as "MCCF") and The Land Conservancy of McHenry County (hereinafter referred to as "TLC") have been informally and voluntarily working collaboratively to plan, coordinate and implement the protection of land within the Hackmatack National Wildlife Refuge area; and

WHEREAS, the parties listed above drafted a Land Protection Plan 2014-2017 in June of 2014 (hereinafter referred to as "The Plan") for coordinating the approach to land protection in connection with implementation of the Hackmatack NWR vision; and

WHEREAS, the parties have reached agreement on the goals identified in The Plan which are described in Exhibit A, attached and a part of this Memorandum of Understanding.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the District that it is necessary, desirable, and in the best interest of the District to execute the Memorandum of Understanding, and the President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees are hereby authorized to execute this resolution and the Executive Director is authorized to execute said Memorandum of Understanding as attached.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Resolution #15-18 has been executed this 16th day of April 2015, by the President and attested by the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the District.

Ayes: 1
Nays: 0
Absent: 1
Abstain: 0

DAVID BRANDT, PRESIDENT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

BRANDON THOMAS, SECRETARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES