RESOLUTION #15-24
RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION
FOR DEDICATED SERVICE

ABRAHAM MARTINEZ

McHenry County Conservation District
Officers and Board of Trustees
Unanimously Adopted on
May 21, 2015

WHEREAS, McHenry County Conservation District owns and manages over 25,100 acres of open space and 33 conservation areas; 40 miles of regional trails that provide access to more than 115 miles of an integrated trail network; acts to restore its lands to their ecological health; offers educational programs which encourage appreciation of the natural environment and a fundamental understanding of the environmental ethic; and develops its lands for the safe quiet enjoyment and interests of McHenry County residents; and

WHEREAS, the District is supported in its efforts by many dedicated staff and volunteers, who engage in a variety of activities including protection of natural resources and the flora, fauna and people who share them, site and facility maintenance and improvement, natural area restoration, trail clearing and monitoring, wildlife monitoring and care, environmental, historical and cultural interpretation, educational outreach programs and many other endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Martinez began with the District January 24, 2000 as a Patrol Officer and was promoted to Sergeant on February 20, 2004 within the Police Department and which is now a branch of the Operations & Public Safety Division; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Martinez, over his career, graduated from the Illinois State Police Academy and became a Certified Law Enforcement Officer and later graduated from the School of Police Staff and Command at Northwestern University Center for Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Martinez was also certified as a State Certified Lead Homicide Investigator, Master Firearms Instructor, Rifle/Carbine Instructor, and as a Smith & Wesson Military & Police Pistol/Rifle Armorer; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Martinez used his valuable expertise to organize training for the safety of District Police officers including A.L.I.C.E. and pistol/rifle qualifications; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Martinez set a high standard of conduct for himself and those who served with him and under him when providing public safety, investigation services or public programming such as the popular Hooked on Fishing Not on Drugs family program; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Martinez shared his knowledge of the English and Spanish languages to assist in communicating educational, instructional and investigative messages to various user groups and on behalf of various agencies and as a volunteer; and

WHEREAS, through the efforts of Abraham Martinez, who has shared his knowledge, time and expertise with the District, has provided a foundation for safe recreational sites and buildings throughout the District for many generations of residents of McHenry County; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Martinez has decided to enter into retirement on May 4, 2015.
LET IT BE RESOLVED: That the Officers and Board of Trustees of the McHenry County Conservation District hereby express and convey their deep and sincere gratitude and heartfelt appreciation to Abraham Martinez, and that this Resolution be incorporated into the official records of the District, and that Abraham Martinez receive recognition through this resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names and affixed the seal of the District, this 21st day of May, 2015.

David Brandt, President

Bona Heinsohn, Treasurer

Stephen Barrett, Trustee

Peter Merkel, Trustee

Kent Krautstrunk, Vice President

Brandon Thomas, Secretary

David Kranz, Trustee