RESOLUTION NO. 2023-1

A JOINT RESOLUTION TO SEEK THE MODIFICATION THE EXISTING ROOM TAX PERCENTAGE SPLIT UNDER WIS. STAT. 66.0615(1m)(d)2

WHEREAS, the City of Eagle River, Vilas County; the Town of Washington, Vilas County; and the Town of Lincoln, Vilas County, all entities duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (hereafter the Municipalities);

WHEREAS, the Municipalities formed a Room Tax Commission in 1992 and entered into respective Accommodations Contracts with the Eagle River Area Chamber of Commerce, agreeing to forward to the Room Tax Commission 90% of the 4.5% Room Tax proceeds, retaining 10%;

WHEREAS, the Municipalities dissolved the aforementioned Room Tax Commission in 2000 for the purpose of reforming the Room Tax Commission (to now be called the Eagle River Area Tourism Commission) and entering into a new agreement with the Eagle River Area Chamber of Commerce on or about August, 2000 retaining the same percentage allocation;

WHEREAS, eight other towns in Vilas County, have entered into subsequent Room Tax agreements after May 13, 1994, retaining 25% to 30% of the collected Room Tax proceeds;

WHEREAS, the Municipalities by virtue of the early adoption the Wisconsin Statute provisions regarding Room Tax, are constrained and held to the 10% retention established twenty-nine years ago in perpetuity until this in Wis. Stat. 66.0615(1m)(d)2 is amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipalities that:

- Section 1. The Municipalities care to effect a change to Wis. Stat. 66.0615(1m)(d)2 to allow the Municipalities to raise the retention portion of the collected Room Tax to 30% and granting 70% to the Eagle River Area Tourism Commission under a new agreement that will be effective for a five-year renewable period effective one-year subsequent to the proposed legislative change.
- Section 2. Upon the effective date of the change to Wis. Stat. 66.0615(1m)(d)2, there will be a one-year grace period before the new percentages go into effect. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Passed and Adopted by the Municipalities on this 12 day of 12 day of 12023.

Passed and Adopted by the City of Eagle River on this 12th day of December -, 2023.

CITY OF EAGLE RIVER

ATTEST: XXL By: Becky Bolte City Clerk

Passed and Adopted by the Town of Lincoln on this <u>a9th</u> day of <u>November</u> <u>a0a.3</u>

TOWN OF LINCOLN, VILAS COUNTY

By: Bill Hassey Town Chair

By: Shelly Sauvola

Town Clerk

Passed and Adopted by the Town of Washington on thisday ofday of	, <u>2023</u>
TOWN OF WASHINGTON, VILAS COUNTY By: Jim Egan Jown Chair	

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