THREE RIVERS PARK DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 20-03

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND GRANT APPLICATION:

WHEREAS, Three Rivers Park District owns and operates Silverwood Park on Silver Lake, a lake which is on the MPCA's list of impaired waters; and

WHEREAS, Silverwood Park is a region-wide facility located outside of the taxing jurisdiction of Three Rivers, and which primarily serves residents of other adjacent park systems; and

WHEREAS, Three Rivers Park District recognizes the importance of maintaining and improving water quality through shoreline stabilization projects; and

WHEREAS, Three Rivers Park District recognizes that shoreline fishing at Silverwood serves a growing racially and ethnically diverse population of anglers; and

WHEREAS, Three Rivers Park District recognizes that combining shoreline stabilization and shoreline fishing improvements results in efficiency and benefits to both the natural environment and the public; and

WHEREAS, Three Rivers Park District has envisioned an opportunity to implement a shoreline stabilization project on the island in Silver Lake that provides shoreline stabilization, enhanced shoreline fishing experiences, and enhanced ADA shoreline fishing access through a proposed project titled <u>Shoreline stabilization</u>, <u>fishing</u>, <u>ADA</u> <u>improvements at Silverwood Park</u>; and

WHEREAS, The project has already undergone design and has an estimated cost of \$258,000, and can be implemented quickly after funding has been secured; and

WHEREAS, Three Rivers Park District is seeking Environmental and Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant funding of \$200,000 to help make this project a reality, and

WHEREAS, Three Rivers Park District recognizes that the proposed project meets the following priorities of the Environmental and Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant Program:

H. Small Projects

The LCCMR encourages proposals under \$200,000, especially from local government units and non-profits, to quickly and efficiently provide environment and natural resource benefits in Minnesota. Proposals should address one or more additional priorities.

F1. Methods to Protect or Restore Land, Water, and HabitatInnovative protection or restoration of lands with high-quality natural resources, ecological value, water protection value, or habitat, particularly for pollinators.

G7. Land Acquisition, Habitat, and Recreation

Efforts expanding outdoor recreational opportunities through additions and connections to state, regional, or local parks and trails.

WHEREAS, Three Rivers Park District has secured funding from its approved Asset Management Program of up to \$58,000 for use to cover project costs above the \$200,000 grant limit.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Three Rivers Park District supports the grant application for the **Shoreline stabilization, fishing, ADA improvements at Silverwood Park** project.

Adopted this **Fourth** day of **June**, 2020

THREE RIVERS PARK DISTRICT

By: John Gunyou Its: Board Chair

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