

**RESOLUTION NO. 2008-41**

WHEREAS, the City of Marshfield is the purveyor of safe, adequate and usable drinking water to its residents, businesses and industries; and

WHEREAS, Marshfield citizens depend on safe, adequate and usable drinking water for their health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, Marshfield businesses and industries also depend on a safe, adequate and usable water supply for their continuance; and

WHEREAS, in order for Marshfield to provide its residents, businesses and industries with a safe, adequate and usable water supply, now and in the future, it is essential that the quantity and quality of groundwater resources from which Marshfield draws water be preserved and protected; and

WHEREAS, due to geological limitations on the supply of water within Marshfield's municipal boundaries, the majority of Marshfield's water supply wells are located outside of Marshfield's municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, current law limits Marshfield's ability to protect the quantity and quality of groundwater resources from which Marshfield's water supply wells draw water because those resources are located outside of Marshfield's municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these limitations in current law, the groundwater resources from which Marshfield's wells draw water are at risk of being contaminated by activities occurring within the wellhead protection area of Marshfield's wells; and

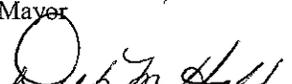
WHEREAS, water resources from which Marshfield's water supply is drawn should be protected from contamination and misuse regardless of whether the wells are located inside or outside Marshfield's municipal boundaries;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Marshfield requests that the Governor and Legislature of the State of Wisconsin support the adoption of legislation and regulations to protect the quantity and quality of groundwater resources in wellhead protection areas regardless of whether such resources are located within or outside of municipal boundaries, with such legislation and regulations being similar or comparable to the proposed legislation described in the attached Memorandum, dated August 4, 2008, from Lawrie J. Kobza of Boardman Law Firm.

Respectfully submitted by the Common Council of the City of Marshfield this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December ~~November~~, 2008.

ADOPTED: 12-23-08

APPROVED: 12-23-08

  
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Mayor  
  
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City Clerk