

RESOLUTION #2026-0210 B

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LA POINTE, WISCONSIN, COMMENDING AND RECOGNIZING CHIEF BILL DEFOE FOR TWELVE YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AS CHIEF OF THE LA POINTE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND TWENTY-TWO TOTAL YEARS TOTAL AS A POLICE OFFICER

WHEREAS, the Town of La Pointe depends on the dedication, training, and readiness of its police officers to protect the lives and property of residents, visitors, and businesses on Madeline Island; and

WHEREAS, William "Bill" Defoe has served the Town of La Pointe with distinction in the La Pointe Police Department for the past twenty-two (22) years, twelve (12) of which as police chief; and

WHEREAS, during Chief Defoe's tenure, the police force has maintained a roster of fully qualified law enforcement despite the recruiting and retention challenges of being an Island thereby strengthening the department's capacity to respond safely and effectively to emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Chief Defoe has promoted a culture of training, preparedness, teamwork, and public service within the department, and has supported the recruitment and retention of police officers; and

WHEREAS, Chief Defoe has worked collaboratively with Town staff, other emergency services, and regional partners to improve emergency response on and around Madeline Island; and

WHEREAS, through his leadership, professionalism, and steady presence, Chief Defoe has earned the respect and appreciation of Town officials, fellow police officers, and the community; and

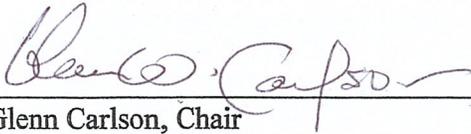
WHEREAS, Chief Defoe is now retiring from his position as Chief of the La Pointe Police Department;

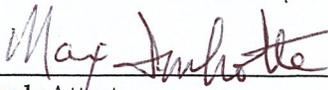
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin, that the Board hereby commends and thanks Chief Bill Defoe for his twelve years of loyal and dedicated service as Police Chief, and twenty-two years overall as a police officer and recognizes his important contributions to the safety and well-being of the Town of La Pointe; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board extends to Chief Defoe its best wishes in his retirement and future endeavors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be entered into the official records of the Town of La Pointe and presented to Chief Defoe as a token of the Town's appreciation.

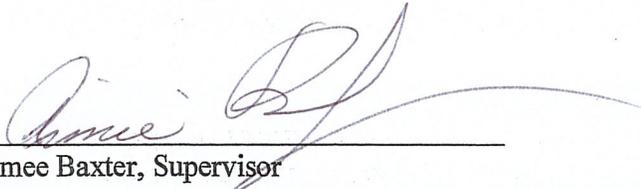
This resolution was duly passed on this 10th day of February, 2026

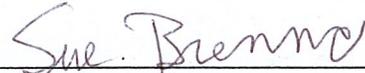

Glenn Carlson, Chair

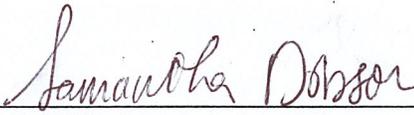

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2/10/2026
Date


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Samantha Dobson, Supervisor