

ENROLLED RESOLUTION 159-5

SUPPORT STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATION FOR EXTENDED PRODUCER
RESPONSIBILITY OF CONSUMER ELECTRONICS

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Council on Recycling has estimated that there are over 1.9 million computer systems and 5.2 million televisions in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, computers, televisions, and other consumer electronics contain lead, cadmium, mercury, hexavalent chromium, polyvinyl chloride, brominated flame retardants and other toxic materials that pose hazards to human health and the environment if they are not properly managed; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Council on Recycling has recommended that a system be developed to divert computers, computer components, and televisions from landfills in Wisconsin with the cost of diversion built into the price of the product; and

WHEREAS, about 41 tons of computers and components were collected for recycling at three municipal recycling sites in the county in 2003 under a Department of Parks and Land Use collaboration with the Wisconsin Department of Corrections and 84 tons were collected at a recent one-day event at State Fair Park sponsored by the Southeast Wisconsin Waste Reduction Coalition; and

WHEREAS, the states of California, Minnesota, Maine and Massachusetts have recently prohibited the disposal of cathode ray tubes from televisions and computer monitors in municipal landfills or incinerators; and

WHEREAS, the National Electronics Product Stewardship Initiative, which includes leading electronic manufacturers, has been working to establish a national system for managing the reuse, recycling, and disposal of electronics products since 2001.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE WAUKESHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS that it supports legislation which would establish an infrastructure and funding for recycling computers, televisions, and certain consumer electronics, encourage cooperation between producers, retail stores, recyclers, municipalities, non-profit organizations, and the Wisconsin Department of Corrections, and provide for public education on proper disposal of electronics.

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Presented by:
Executive Committee

James T. Dwyer
James T. Dwyer, Chair

Patricia A. Haukohl
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Approved by:
Land Use, Parks, and Environment Committee

Walter L. Kolb (NO)
Walter L. Kolb, Chair

absent
Kathleen M. Cummings

Pauline T. Jaske NO
Pauline T. Jaske

Scott J. Klein NO
Scott J. Klein

Bill Kramer NO
Bill Kramer

Daniel Pavelko (NO)
Daniel Pavelko

Vera Stroud (NO)
Vera Stroud

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, was presented to the County Executive on:

Date: 7/30/04, Kathy Nickolaus
Kathy Nickolaus, County Clerk

Returned without signature 8-2-04 takes effect 8-10-04

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

Approved: _____
Vetoed: _____

Date: _____,
Daniel M. Finley, County Executive

WAUKESHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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DATE-07/27/04

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- 1 K. HERRO.....NAY
- 3 D. STAMSTA.....AYE
- 5 J. MARCHESI.....
- 7 J. JESKEWITZ.....AYE
- 9 P. HAUKOHL.....AYE
- 11 K. HARENDA.....NAY
- 13 J. MORRIS.....NAY
- 15 D. SWAN.....AYE
- 17 J. BEHREND.....NAY
- 19 W. MITCHELL.....AYE
- 21 W. KOLB.....NAY
- 23 J. TORTOMASI.....AYE
- 25 K. CUMMINGS.....NAY
- 27 D. PAULSON.....AYE
- 29 T. BULLERMANN.....AYE
- 31 V. STROUD.....AYE
- 33 D. PAVELKO.....NAY
- 35 C. SEITZ.....NAY

- 2 B. WHELEN.....AYE
- 4 H. CARLSON.....AYE
- 6 D. BROESCH.....AYE
- 8 J. DWYER.....AYS
- 10 S. WOLFF.....AYE
- 12 J. GRIFFIN.....AYE
- 14 A. KALLIN.....NAY
- 16 R. MANKE.....
- 18 B. MORRIS.....AYE
- 20 M. KIPP.....NAY
- 22 G. BRUCE.....AYE
- 24 B. KRAMER.....NAY
- 26 S. KLEIN.....NAY
- 28 P. JASKE.....AYE
- 30 K. NILSON.....NAY
- 32 P. GUNDRUM.....
- 34 R. SINGERT.....

TOTAL AYES-18

TOTAL NAYS-13

CARRIED X

DEFEATED _____

UNANIMOUS _____

TOTAL VOTES-31