Whereas Iowa County was initially instrumental in the establishment of Governor Dodge State Park and is now the home of three state parks and many tourism/recreational places of interest thereby attracting many visitors to this area, and

Whereas Governor Dodge State Park is one of the largest in the statewide park system and all of the features in it make it one of the most popular to be enjoyed by residents and non-residents, and

Whereas a concern has been raised by the removal of Halverson Lake due to structural deficiencies of the dam and consequently the loss of this popular attraction in the park, and

Whereas the Department of Natural Resources has not yet determined the future status of the dam thereby causing a fear that unless the interest which does exist to retain the lake is publicly shown the temporary loss may be allowed to become permanent, and

Whereas substantially increased user fees should be a source of additional maintenance funds

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that this Board whose predecessor members were among the original benefactors to the park does hereby petition and urge the Department of Natural Resources to restore Halverson Lake as a part of their on-going activity to enhance the overall beauty and value of the park.

Committee on Legislative and Civil Defense
Committee on Resource Development and Tourism