

**TOWN OF MARSHALL
RICHLAND COUNTY, WISCONSIN
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-5 (AMENDED)**

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED 765 kV TRANSMISSION LINE THROUGH THE
TOWN OF MARSHALL, RICHLAND COUNTY, AND THE DRIFTLESS AREA**

WHEREAS, the Town of Marshall lies within the nationally recognized Driftless Area, a uniquely fragile landscape defined by steep ridges, cold-water trout streams, karst geology, and highly erodible soils that are particularly vulnerable to large-scale infrastructure disturbance; and

WHEREAS, the proposed high-voltage transmission line would require extensive clearing, construction corridors, blasting, and long-term maintenance that would fragment wildlife habitat and permanently alter the natural character of the region; and

WHEREAS, the proposed LRTP project #26 (765 kV line) is a regional backbone system intended to transport electricity to distant markets such as Chicago and points east, providing zero local benefit to the residents of Marshall while imposing approximately 200-foot industrial towers upon our land, and

WHEREAS, property owners face potential declines in land value and long-term uncertainty, and Richland County's tourism economy - driven by its scenic beauty, trout streams, outdoor recreation, and rural character - would be negatively affected; and

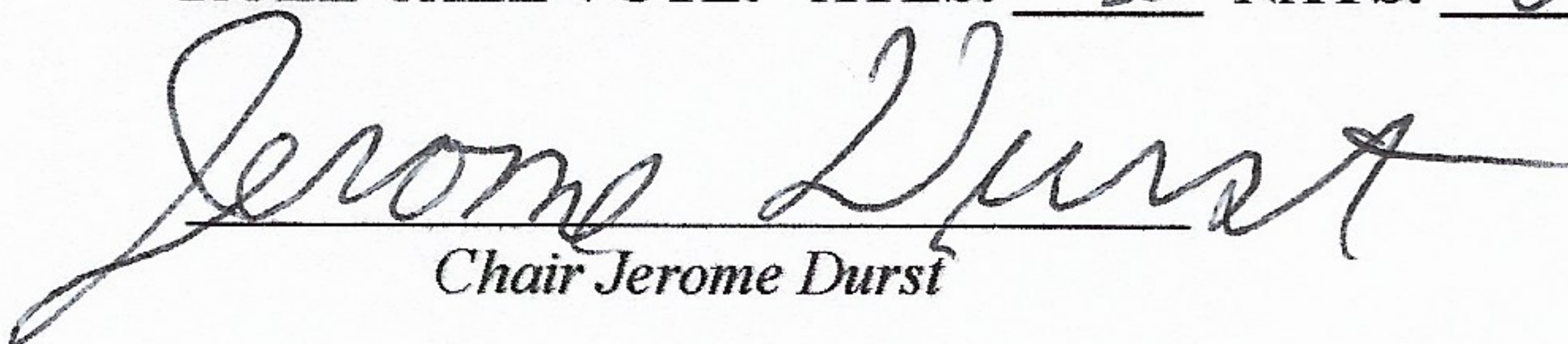
WHEREAS, scientific evidence indicates that such continuous industrial noise and electromagnetic interference disrupt the natural environment, negatively impacting wildlife reproductive cycles, bird and amphibian communications and migratory patterns.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Town Board of the Town of Marshall formally and unequivocally opposes the proposed high-voltage transmission line within the Town of Marshall, Richland County, and the Driftless Area, finding that this region is not suitable for such development and that the project poses substantial risks to public health, safety, and welfare, as well as to environmental integrity and cultural resources.

ADOPTED by the Town Board of the Town of Marshall on this 8th day of September 2026.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: 2 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1


Chair Jerome Durst

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Town of Marshall, Richland County, Wisconsin, certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2026-5 (Amended) adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Marshall at a duly noticed meeting held on September 8, 2026.


Clerk Katherine Berner

Posted this 9 day of September, 2026 at the following locations: town hall, town shop, ballpark and town website.
Effective this 10 day of September, 2026.

Attest: 
Clerk Katherine Berner