RESOLUTION 2017-9: ESTABLISHING A POCKET GOPHER BOUNTY IN THE TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. §§348.12 & 348.13 authorize towns to offer a bounty for the destruction of pocket gophers;

WHEREAS, the Town Board determines pocket gophers constitute a nuisance to property;

WHEREAS, the Town Board determines that is in the best interests of the public to establish a bounty to encourage the destruction of pocket gophers in the township;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Watab Township does hereby establish a pocket gopher bounty in the township to be conducted as follows:

- 1. The bounty shall only apply to gophers that were, to the satisfaction of the Town Board Chair, captured and killed within the boundaries of the township.
- 2. To be eligible for collection of the bounty on an animal, both front feet of the pocket gophers must be presented to the Town Board Chair.
- 3. The person claiming the bounty must be a Watab Township resident and provide the town his or her name, address, and the location of where the gophers were killed.
- 4. The amount of the bounty shall be \$3.00 per gopher.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution shall automatically renew annually unless amended or repealed by the Town Board by resolution.