Background
The Minnesota GreenCorps program is a program coordinated by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) that aims to preserve and protect Minnesota’s environment while training a new generation of environmental professionals. The program places AmeriCorps members with host organizations around the state to assist communities and local governments in addressing a variety of statewide needs, including reducing water runoff and improving water quality.

The District is planning on applying to be a host site for a GreenCorps member starting this fall. Minnesota GreenCorps AmeriCorps members serve full-time for 11 months, from mid-September through mid-August. The District provides supervision of the GreenCorps member equating to a minimum of 3.2 hours per week and provides a dedicated workspace for the GreenCorps member. The District creates a workplan for the GreenCorps member for the 11-month duration, focusing on one of four project areas that are defined by the MPCA. A final workplan is being developed for the March 18, 2020, application deadline. The project area that we have chosen to focus on is community readiness and outreach. Other watershed districts and local organizations have hosted GreenCorps members, such as the Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District, Capital Region Watershed District, the City of Bloomington, and Freshwater Society, among others. A resolution from the board is required for the application that supports the submission of the GreenCorps host site application.

Recommendation
Adopt Resolution 2020-02.

Attachment
Resolution Number 2020-02
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-02

NINE MILE CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT

BOARD OF MANAGERS

Committing to MN GreenCorps Application

Manager _____________ offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Manager _____________:

WHEREAS, Nine Mile Creek Watershed District has applied to host an AmeriCorps member from the Minnesota GreenCorps, a program of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA), for the 2020-2021 program year; and

WHEREAS, if the MPCA selects the Nine Mile Creek Watershed District, the organization is committed to implementing the proposed project as described in the host site application, and in accordance with pre-scoped position description; and

WHEREAS, the MPCA requires that the Nine Mile Creek Watershed District enter into a host site agreement with the MPCA that identifies the terms, conditions, roles and responsibilities;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Nine Mile Creek Watershed District hereby agrees to enter into and sign a host site agreement with the MPCA to carry out the member activities specified therein and to comply with all of the terms, conditions, and matching provisions of the host site agreement and authorizes and directs Randy Anhorn, District Administrator, to sign the grant agreement on its behalf.

The question was on the adoption of the resolution and there were ___ yeas and ___ nays as follows:

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Upon vote, the chair declared the resolution adopted.

______________________________________  Dated: March 18, 2020
Erin Hunker, Secretary

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I, Erin Hunker, secretary of the Nine Mile Creek Watershed District, do hereby certify that I have compared the above resolution with the original thereof as the same appears of record and on file with the District and find the same to be a true and correct transcript thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 18th day of March 2020.

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Erin Hunker, Secretary