



**MINNEHAHA CREEK**  
WATERSHED DISTRICT  
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**Meeting:** Board of Managers  
**Meeting date:** 12/15/2022  
**Agenda Item #:** 7.4  
**Request for Board Action**

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**Title:** Recognition of John Gunyou for Service on the Three Rivers Park District Board

**Resolution number:** 22-082

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**Recommended action:** Approve the resolution recognizing John Gunyou's service on the Three Rivers Park District Board



**RESOLUTION**

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WHEREAS, John Gunyou has served Three Rivers Park District as a Commissioner from January 2013 to December 2022, including service as Board Chair during his entire tenure;

WHEREAS, He has championed the power of partnership at all levels of government, and these partnerships have provided benefit to the region including the protection and restoration of natural lands and aquatic habitat, increased awareness of and access to recreational facilities and reduced impacts for taxpayers.

WHEREAS, Under his leadership, Three Rivers Park District has prioritized engaging with all residents of suburban Hennepin County, to help them discover and connect with nature and the outdoors

WHEREAS, John has helped prioritize taking important steps to enhance and protect waters throughout the park system and watershed, which includes over 27,000 acres of parkland, 43 lakes, more than 30 miles of rivers and streams, and over 8,000 acres of wetlands.

WHEREAS, These combined efforts have resulted in the removal of several lakes from the state’s impaired waters list, including Bryant Lake in Eden Prairie, and Lake Rebecca in Greenfield and Independence.

WHEREAS, Mr. Gunyou has a history of public service as Minnetonka’s City Manager, Minnesota’s Finance Commissioner, Minneapolis’ Finance Director, an executive with Minnesota Public Radio, and an officer in the U.S. Air Force.

WHEREAS, The Minnehaha Creek Watershed District Board of Managers applauds John Gunyou’s leadership, commitment to public service, and results, and wishes to recognize and honor his efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District Board of Managers hereby formally recognized John Gunyou’s dedicated public service, and history of partnership, including his leadership with the Three Rivers Park District where he has made a lasting impact, and thanks him for his contributions to the public good.

Resolution Number 22- 082 was moved by Manager \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Manager \_\_\_\_\_. Motion to adopt the resolution \_\_\_ ayes, \_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_ abstentions. Date: 5/13/2021

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 Secretary Date: \_\_\_\_\_