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**RESOLUTION #41-06
RESOLUTION BY THE ENVIRONMENT, AGRICULTURE
AND EXTENSION COMMITTEE**

Subject: Eco-County Designation Supported

WHEREAS, Douglas County acknowledges that a clean and healthy environment determines the quality of life, where the environment can support and sustain the community, and where citizens are committed to local and regional cooperation and a personal philosophy of stewardship, and

WHEREAS, the willingness of Douglas County to move in the direction of eco-county designation can serve as a model for our citizens, encouraging economic development and industrial initiatives while protecting the ecosystem in which they raise their families, and

WHEREAS, Douglas County adopted the Land and Water Resource Management Plan (2002), adopted the Eco-Industrial Development Resolution (2005), is a strong partner in the Lake Superior Binational Forum and St. Louis River Citizen Action Committee, has created policies to control the use of herbicides, disbursement of mercury, remediated the Hog Island site, and implemented a recycling program, and

WHEREAS, Douglas County will include many references to sustainability practices in their comprehensive planning process, and

WHEREAS, Douglas County endorses the following four guidelines which were developed by the Natural Steps, and adopted by the American Planning Association, to help communities implement sustainable practices:

1. Reduce dependence upon fossil fuels and extracted underground metals and minerals;
2. Reduce dependence on chemicals and other manufactured substances that can accumulate in Nature;
3. Reduce dependence on activities that harm life-sustaining ecosystems; and
4. Meet the hierarchy of present and future human needs fairly and efficiently.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Douglas County Board of Supervisors accept the recommendation of the

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Environment, Agriculture and Extension Committee and hereby endorses the principles of sustainable community development described herein, and agrees to apply these principles whenever possible in its planning, policy- making and practices.

Dated this 18th day of May, 2006.

(Committee Action: Unanimous)
(Fiscal Note: None)

ACTION: Motion by Browne, second Hendrickson, to adopt. Browne advocated strongly for this resolution, and noted Douglas County would be the first county in the nation with this designation. Brief discussion. Motion carried.