

**NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD AGENDA ITEM**

**SUBJECT:** RETIREMENT RESOLUTION FOR DAVID A. HILDRETH

**FOR:** JANUARY BOARD MEETING

**TO BE PRESENTED BY:** MATT FRANK, DEPARTMENT SECRETARY

**SUMMARY:**

DAVID A. HILDRETH RETIRED FROM THE DEPARTMENT AFTER 37 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE STATE OF WISCONSIN.

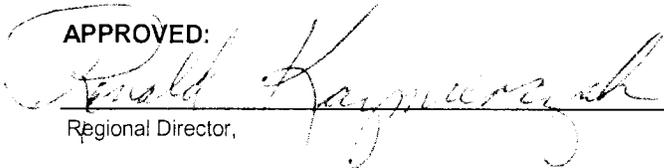
**RECOMMENDATION:**

**LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:**

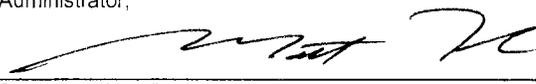
- No  Fiscal Estimate Required
- No  Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required
- No  Background Memo

- Yes  Attached
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**APPROVED:**

  
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 Regional Director,

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 Secretary, Matt Frank

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## ***Retirement Resolution***

David A. Hildreth retired from the Department of Natural Resources on December 19, 2008 with more than 37 years of dedicated service to the State of Wisconsin.

Dave began his career in August of 1971 at Green Bay Service Center previously known as the Lake Michigan District as an Environmental Engineer I, and progressed to the Regional Air and Waste Leader. He promoted four times in his career including a promotion as the Assistant District Director in 1990 before taking on the Regional Air and Waste Leader position for the Northeast Region in 1996.

Throughout Dave's career he worked endlessly to ensure the protection of human health and on improving the environment by working in partnership with citizens, communities, businesses and advocacy groups. With his guidance the Northeast's region Air program had a zero backlog on permit issuance in 2004-2005 and served as a model program for the rest of Wisconsin. Dave worked tirelessly on many special projects to improve and streamline the Air and Waste regulatory processes.

Dave was the leader in the 1996 Department Reorganization Pilot conducted in the Northeast region. He worked on the Waste and Materials Management Redesign Team that developed the blueprint for the existing program. He also led the Air Permit Improvement Initiative for a year and a half in 2005 & 2006. In the Northeast Region, he has been actively working to enhance participation in the Green Tier program and worked with companies on expansion projects. He also provided mentoring service to various individuals for many years.

His drive and commitment to improve the quality of life for the great citizens of Wisconsin is evident through a long and storied DNR career.

***WHEREAS***, David A. Hildreth has served the people of the State of Wisconsin faithfully and well in the performance of duties and has thus earned the commendation due an exemplary public employee;

***NOW, THEREFORE***, the Natural Resources Board at its January 2009 meeting at Madison, Wisconsin, recognizes such faithful service with due respect and gratitude, and hereby makes this commendation a part of its official records.

*Natural Resources Board*

Christine Thomas, CHAIR