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RESOLUTION

THE PROBLEM:

Woodchucks also known as ground hogs are a protected species. They do considerable depredation to crops, dig holes in pond banks, make mounds of dirt in fields which damages farm machinery, undermines building foundations and in general are more of a nuisance than opossum, skunks, or weasel.

Further, in other states, where they have been unprotected and even had a bounty on their scalp, their population has thrived.

WHEREAS in view of the above facts

BE IT RESOLVED that those attending the Conservation Congress Annual meeting in Door County April 11, 2011 request the DNR and Legislature, if legislation is required, to change the status of Woodchucks from protected species to unprotected species.

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Vote yes _____ no _____