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**Resolution to Conservation Congress**

**Waupaca County**

**April 11, 2016**

**Problem:**

Waupaca County has a CDAC goal to “maintain” deer populations within the county. Significant growth of the herd has been experienced resulting in a recommendation by CDAC to limit hunting to antlerless only in 2016.

CDAC lacks significant additional management tools beyond “antlerless only” seasons to effectively manage the herd to objectives resulting in an unprecedented season recommendation.

Wisconsin state law does not allow the use of “earn-a-buck” regulations.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Conservation Congress at its meeting held in Waupaca County on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 forward to the DNR and Natural Resources Board a recommendation that the State Legislature approve legislation making “earn-a Buck” legal for use on a county by county basis as mandated by the appropriate CDAC and as part of their county deer management plan, with implementation to be evaluated on an annual basis.

Further, reinstating “earn-a buck” would require that a participating county use mandatory in-person deer registration as a means of monitoring program compliance.

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