

RESOLUTION NO. 5-1212

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING \$25.00 FEE FOR LATE FILING OF
CONSERVATION COMPLIANCE SELF-CERTIFICATION FORMS UNDER
THE FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Chapter 91 of the Wisconsin State Statutes governs the Wisconsin Farmland Preservation Program; and

WHEREAS, an Iowa County landowner is required to provide certification of compliance with soil and water conservation standards established by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection in order to claim a Farmland Preservation tax credit; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Land Conservation Committee is responsible for monitoring landowner compliance with the Farmland Preservation soil and water conservation standards; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Land Conservation Department satisfies this monitoring duty by issuing a conservation compliance self-certification form to landowners in the Farmland Preservation Program which the landowners are required to review, sign, and return to the Land Conservation Department by an established deadline; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Land Conservation Department expends significant time, effort, and resources to ensure timely collection of the conservation compliance self-certification forms; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Land Conservation Committee has considered and approved charging landowners a late fee of \$25.00 if a landowner fails to return the conservation compliance self-certification form by the deadline established by the Land Conservation Department in order to recover costs incurred due to late filing;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Iowa County Land Conservation Department is hereby authorized to charge landowners a late fee of \$25.00 for failure to return the Farmland Preservation Program conservation compliance self-certification form to the Land Conservation Department by the established deadline.

Respectively submitted by Administrative Services Committee.