

**PROCLAMATION
HONORING JIM LESTER ON 60 YEARS OF SERVICE AS AN
ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF TWO RIVERS**

WHEREAS, Jim Lester joined Two Rivers Rotary Club, an International service club that has served Two Rivers for 102 years, on October 1, 1965; and

WHEREAS, Jim Lester's continued service and philanthropy of Rotary and many Manitowoc County organizations providing services to individuals and families in need; and

WHEREAS, Jim Lester contributed many hours in Rotary working on service projects such as a Habitat for Humanity home, Painting Pathways, Ivy Tunnel at the Van der Brohe arboretum, the fireplace addition at Woodland Dunes, and many other projects too many to list; and

WHEREAS, Jim Lester served as President of the Rotary Club of Two Rivers in 1985-1986 and head of its Rotary International Foundation committee and is currently active and serving on the local Rotary club foundation committee; and

WHEREAS, Jim Lester is a Paul Harris Fellow, the highest honor a Rotarian can achieve and because of his continuous donations to Rotary International Foundation through the Two Rivers Rotary Club, we have been able to receive funds to complete multiple projects in Two Rivers such as purchasing Recycling containers for the parks and path, butterfly garden at Woodland Dunes, Two Rivers Water Trail, Hamilton Woodtype Museum ADA accessible work stations, Stem table at Lester Public Library and the list goes on and on; and

WHEREAS, Jim Lester became President of Eggers Industries in 1971 where he developed a comprehensive employee profit sharing program that received national praise and continued the success of Eggers Industries until his retirement in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Jim Lester achievements included creating the Eggers Way ensuring future generations would understand the values and attitudes that made Eggers Industries successful for many years; and

WHEREAS, Jim Lester was head of and instrumental in the design, fundraising and overall construction of the Grace Congregational Church; and

WHEREAS, In 1985 Jim & his wife Barbee made possible the construction of Lester Public Library named in honor of his parents. They continue to be a strong supporter of the library & support the beautiful gardens around it; and

WHEREAS, Jim Lester has served on countless boards in Manitowoc County, offering his strong leadership qualities; and

WHEREAS, Jim Lester has a passion for sailing and loves sharing it with others; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the City Council of the City of Two Rivers, congratulates Jim Lester on his 60th anniversary as a Rotary Club of Two Rivers Rotarian.

Dated this 6th day of October, 2025.
