RESOLUTION
REQUESTING EXEMPTION FROM JEFFERSON COUNTY LIBRARY TAX PER WI STATUTES 43.64(2)(B)

SPONSOR: MAYOR STOCKS
FROM: FINANCE COMMITTEE

WHEREAS the Jefferson County Board has established a county library service and levies a county library tax as authorized under Section 43.57 (3) of the Wisconsin Statutes, and

WHEREAS Section 43.64 (2) (b) of the Wisconsin Statutes provides that a village or city is exempt from the county library tax if it levies a tax for public library service and appropriates and expends for a library fund as defined by s.43.52 (1) during the year for which the county tax levy is made a sum at least equal to the county library tax rate in the prior year multiplied by the equalized valuation of the property in the city or village for the current year, and

WHEREAS the City of Watertown will, in 2027, appropriate and expend an amount in excess of that calculated above,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Watertown, hereby requests of the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors that the City of Watertown be exempted from the payment of any tax for the support of the County Library Service as provided in Section 43.64 (2).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded by the city clerk to the following parties by November 1, 2026:

Administrator
Jefferson County Library Council
Dwight Foster Public Library
209 Merchants Avenue
Fort Atkinson, WI 53538

County Clerk
320 S. Main Street, Room 109
Jefferson, WI 53549

Fiscal Note: Estimated Municipal 2027 Library Appropriation $750,000.00

	YES	*NO*
DAVIS		
LAMPE		
BERG		
NITECKI		
BLANKE		
SMITH		
ARNETT		
HAASE		
MOLDENHAUER		
MAYOR STOCKS		
TOTAL		

ADOPTED October 20, 2026

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CITY CLERK

APPROVED October 20, 2026

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MAYOR

(October 20, 2026) Exhibit