

**Merrill Area School District  
Board of Education Resolution**

**Application for Registration of a School Forest with the School District of Merrill Area, Wisconsin**

WHEREAS, The School and Community Forest Law, section 28.20 WI statutes enacted in 1947 allows schools, villages, cities, and towns to own land and practice forestry; and

WHEREAS, The Merrill Area School District owns the following forested parcels: 20.056 acres in the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ Section 12, T.30 N. R.5 E Town of Hamburg, Marathon County and 5.00 acres in the NW ¼ of the NW ¼, Section 13, T.30 N R.5 E Town of Hamburg, Marathon County; and

WHEREAS, the Merrill Area School District will use the property, known as the Maple Grove School Forest, to provide education on sustainable forestry; and


WHEREAS, and Educational Plan for the Maple Grove School Forest will be kept current while promoting active and sustainable management of the Maple Grove School Forest; and

WHEREAS, this Maple Grove School Forest will provide networking and learning opportunities for teachers and students to include, but not be limited to, outdoor education activities and natural resources management and land stewardship;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Merrill Area School District, Wisconsin affirms, by means of this resolution, the dedication of these 25.056 acres as a Wisconsin School Forest.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: The Board of Education of the Merrill Area School District, Wisconsin.

Passed on this 25th day of January, 2017

  
Jen Seliger, President