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TOWN OF HUNTER
SLOW-NO-WAKE AREA
ORDINANCE NO 2004-01

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A SOLE ORDINANCE TO REGULATE BOATING UPON THE WATER OF THE CHIPPEWA RIVER AND PRESCRIBING FOR ~~VIOLATIONS~~ THEREOF.

The Town Board of the Town of Hunter do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1- Applicability and Enforcement

- (a) The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to the water at Moores Bay on the Chippewa Flowage
- (b) This chapter shall be enforced by the officers of the Town of Hunter

SECTION 2 – Intent

The intent of this ordinance is to provide safe and healthful conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and interest, and the capability of the water resources.

SECTION 3 – State Boating & Safety Laws Adopted

State boating laws as found in 30.50 to 30.71 of the Wisconsin Statutes, are adopted by reference.

SECTION 4 – Definitions

- (a) "Slow-no-wake" means that speed at which a boat moves as slow as possible while still maintaining steering control.

SECTION 5 – Controlled Area

No person shall operate a boat faster than slow-no-wake in the waters of the Chippewa Flowage at Moores Bay any time; from a point commencing 200 feet east of the southeast portion of land and shall control an area within a 200 foot radius of buoy

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SECTION 6 – Posting Requirements

The Town of Hunter shall place and maintain a synopsis of this ordinance at all public access points within the jurisdiction of the Town of Hunter pursuant to the requirements of NR 5.15 Wis. Admin. Code.

SECTION 7 – Penalties

Wisconsin state boating penalties as found in Wis. Statutes 30.80, and deposits as established in the Uniform Deposit and Bail Schedule established by the Wisconsin Judicial Conference, are hereby adopted by reference and all references to fines amended to forfeitures and all references to imprisonment deleted.

GARY RUNGE

Condition Report

There is considerable traffic through the 100' +/- wide channel to the back bay by both residents of the back bay and sightseers. The quantity of traffic is over 50 trips per day on weekends and approximately 1 in 5 are above no wake speed while passing our south pier. This is a violation of "Wisconsin Boating Regulations", is unsafe for swimmers in this area and causes unnecessary wake action on the two piers and shoreline. We request installation of a no wake buoy to remind boaters to slow down at the appropriate location.

