

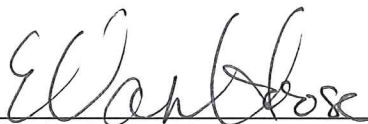
STATE OF MINNESOTA)
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COUNTY OF HENNEPIN) ss
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CITY OF RICHFIELD)

I, Elizabeth VanHoose, being the duly qualified city clerk of the City of Richfield, Hennepin County, Minnesota, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of Resolution No. 11478.

And that the same is on file and on record in my office.

Given under my hand and seal

This 27th day of March, 2018



Elizabeth VanHoose
City Clerk
City of Richfield
Hennepin County, Minnesota

RESOLUTION NO. 11478

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING STATE LAW THAT PROVIDES
LIMITED LIABILITY TO COMMERCIAL SALT APPLICATORS
THAT ARE CERTIFIED THROUGH AN ESTABLISHED
VOLUNTARY SALT APPLICATOR CERTIFICATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, chloride contamination of water resources has been found in urban areas around the state; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has listed 39 waterbodies in the Twin Cities metro area as impaired for chloride and has completed Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) studies on Nine Mile Creek and Shingle Creek and is currently developing TMDLs for the remaining impaired waterbodies through a metro-wide TMDL study; and

WHEREAS, the TMDL studies have indicated that the largest chloride source to our lakes and streams is through the application of chloride compounds on roads, parking lots, sidewalks, and other hard surfaces for winter maintenance practices; and

WHEREAS, liability for property damage or personal injury as a result of snow or ice is one of the main reasons over-salting occurs and many private commercial contractors and property owners are reluctant to implement salt-reduction practices for fear of increased liability; and

WHEREAS, the MPCA currently oversees a voluntary Smart Salting Certification Program that provides training to public and commercial salt applicators, private property owners, managers, and others on how to maintain safe surfaces using salt efficiently.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHFIELD, MINNESOTA AS FOLLOWS: The City of Richfield supports passage and enactment of state law that provides a limited liability exemption to commercial salt applicators and property owners using salt applicators who are certified through the established salt applicator certification program whom follow best management practices.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Richfield, Minnesota, this 27th day of February, 2018.



Pat Elliott, Mayor

ATTEST:



Elizabeth VanHoose, City Clerk