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WAUWATOSA COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF WAUWATOSA
PROCLAMATION

Recognizing the Extraordinary Response of City of Wauwatosa Employees
To the August 2025 Storm and Flood

On Saturday, August 9, and Sunday, August 10, 2025, Wauwatosa experienced a “1,000-year flood” during a storm that brought 8-14 inches of rain to our community and caused the Menomonee River to rise to 14 feet and overflow its banks.

The raging river devastated the Little Red Store and hundreds of Wauwatosa homes and businesses. Flooding in Hart Park severely damaged the stadium, playground, softball field, and Muellner Building and displaced multiple athletic teams, the Wauwatosa Senior Center, and the Wauwatosa Curling Club. Property owners in Wauwatosa suffered millions of dollars in damages.

During the storm, the Wauwatosa Fire Department responded to 123 service calls and rescued more than 70 people and numerous pets. The Wauwatosa Police Department received more than 350 calls for service, managed snarled traffic, and patrolled and monitored the affected homes along Menomonee River Parkway. Our first responders ensured that the city did not experience any serious injuries or fatalities.

During the storm, Department of Public Works employees filled a sinkhole and worked with other first responders to secure and protect City property. Following the storm, they collected over 1,000 tons of debris on more than 1,900 service trips. City Hall employees worked all weekend, and beyond, to coordinate the overall response and to provide emergency information to residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE KNOWN that the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Wauwatosa commend these extraordinary efforts and express their gratitude and the gratitude of the entire Wauwatosa community to the employees of the City of Wauwatosa.

Dated this 28th day of October, 2025.

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