



## **CITY OF WAUWATOSA EQUITY & INCLUSION COMMISSION**

### **Statement in support of 2025 Drone Show**

Dear Members of the Wauwatosa Civic Celebration Commission,

The Wauwatosa Equity and Inclusion Commission sends this letter support for the continued use of a drone show in place of fireworks for Wauwatosa's Fourth of July celebration.

The drone show has proven to be a modern, visually impressive, and environmentally responsible alternative. It provides a creative and engaging way to celebrate Independence Day while addressing growing concerns related to noise, fire risk, air quality, and the well-being of community members who are sensitive to loud and sudden sounds—including veterans, young children, and pets.

In addition to its safety and environmental advantages, the drone display has helped position Wauwatosa as a forward-thinking and inclusive community, willing to explore new traditions that better reflect current values and technological progress.

We respectfully encourage the Commission to maintain and build upon this new tradition. Continuing the drone show honors both the spirit of the holiday and the needs of a diverse and evolving community.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and for your continued leadership in organizing this Independence Day festivities.

Sincerely,

The Wauwatosa Equity and Inclusion Commission