

**Ikes 2018 – 01 PRESERVING MOOSE, THE MONARCH OF MINNESOTA'S
NORTH WOODS**

Whereas: the moose is an icon of Wilderness in Minnesota; and

Whereas: the moose population in Minnesota is in danger of extinction due to many human actions ~~of humans~~; and

Whereas: it has been discovered that White Tail Deer spread a brain worm lethal to moose: and

Whereas: the brain worm is considered the ~~main deciding~~ primary factor causing ~~of~~ moose mortality according to Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MN DNR), Grand Portage Band of Chippewa, Fond du Lac Band of Chippewa, Fish and Wildlife Division of Alberta Canada and the University of Minnesota School of Veterinary Medicine; and

Whereas: Deer spreading of brain worm to moose is not the only lethal problem moose have, but is the most readily available management too for moose protection ~~able to be controlled by management~~; and

Whereas: ~~most~~ many persons in Minnesota strongly prefer to see the moose population increase over its current and declining population ~~what it has become~~; and

Whereas: environmental conservationists and fair-minded hunters strongly agree the moose population needs aid from humans in order to viably survive in future;

Therefore be it resolved: The Minnesota Division, Izaak Walton League of America at convention April 28, 2018 advises the MN DNR and/or the Minnesota Legislator to move to decrease the deer population in the Moose Management Area(is this area define) of the Minnesota Boreal Conifer Forest (**should/could this area be better define?**)area for the benefit of expanding moose populations by extending the bag limit on deer and/or extending ~~the season~~ ~~of~~ deer hunting season in order to vastly decrease the deer population in and about the Moose Management Area.

~~Further~~ Be it further resolved: the perimeter of this **Moose Management Area(is this defined?)** should extend considerably beyond the Moose Preservation areas in order to prevent occasional migration of Deer into the Moose Preservation area(**is this area defined?**).

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Comments from Ted Suss

Definitions when possible should be provided. If the areas in question are defined by the DNR, that reference should be included.

If new areas are proposed those areas should be defined

My suggested edits for removal of language are ~~struck through~~
New language is underlined like this. When a word is proposed to be move, it is ~~struck through~~ in its old location and underlined in its new position