## **Resolution to Extend Pheasant Hunting Season Closing Dates**

Whereas the majority of the pheasants harvested in Wisconsin are pen-raised on game farms and released into the wild; and

Whereas the funding for the raising of these pheasants comes from sportsmen and women: and

Whereas a number of these released pheasants remain unharvested at the end of current pheasant season; and

Whereas most counties in Wisconsin have very little natural reproduction of pheasants; and

Whereas an extended pheasant season would provide more hunting opportunities for pheasant hunters without harming the resource;

Now therefore be it resolved, that the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation at its annual meeting in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin on April 20 and 21 2018 requests that the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, in those counties where there is very little natural pheasant reproduction, extend the closing date of the pheasant season to February 28<sup>th</sup>.

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