



# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

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Sturgeon Bay Rotary Club  
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April 27, 2020

Mayor David Ward  
421 Michigan Street  
Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

Dear Mayor Ward,

I am writing on behalf of the Rotary Club of Sturgeon Bay (noon) to express our club's support for Sturgeon Bay as a National Estuarine Research Reserve site.

Our club, through the years, has been very active in promoting the environmental and economic benefits of a healthy ecosystem. You are aware that our club sponsored and provided significant funding for the Sawyer Park Project and Little Lake Restoration Project. We also have, financially and through volunteer efforts, helped maintain our community's environmental learning preserve, Crossroads at Big Creek.

Our Environmental Committee has supported many projects and many members of this philanthropic club hold leadership positions in environmental groups ranging from Ducks Unlimited to Healthy Water Door County.

Sturgeon Bay is a conservation community with citizens who care deeply about the quality of the environment and which most certainly will be strong supporters of research and outreach to improve the healthy ecosystems of the Green Bay Estuary on which we depend.

We have the infrastructure to annually offer NERR access to two (2) million visitors who already come to visit our natural and maritime attractions. With financial help from the Noon and Breakfast Rotary Clubs, Crossroads at Big Creek has established an educational outreach network which includes local schools, the community and beyond.

We can assure you that should our community be selected as a NERR location, you would have the support of the Rotary Club of Sturgeon Bay (noon) and its many members.

Feel free to contact us if we can help in any way.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "SL", written over a horizontal line.

Sean Linnan, President  
Rotary Club of Sturgeon Bay