



RESOLUTION

Adopted October 14, 2021

Resolution of Recognition and Appreciation for 35 Years of Service

Whereas, Thomas R. Crane joined the Great Lakes Commission staff in 1986; and

Whereas, Mr. Crane currently holds the position of deputy director, providing outstanding leadership and guidance to Commission staff; and

Whereas, Mr. Crane has twice served as interim executive director (2005-2006 and 2017-2018), providing exceptional stability and continuity to Commission operations during times of transition; and

Whereas, Mr. Crane has previously served as resource management program manager (1990-2004; 2006-2008) and natural resources program specialist (1986-1990); and

Whereas, Mr. Crane has coordinated and led numerous initiatives, projects, task forces, and other initiatives on important issues affecting the water resources of the Great Lakes basin; and

Whereas, Mr. Crane is well-respected among staff, Commissioners, and partners, and is admired for his leadership, sincerity, sense of humor, integrity, and deep institutional knowledge; and

Whereas, Mr. Crane is the longest serving staff member of the Great Lakes Commission since the agency's establishment in 1955; and

Whereas, the Great Lakes Commission is fortunate to have Mr. Crane as a dedicated staff member committed to the mission of the agency; and

Whereas, the Great Lakes Commission wishes to extend our utmost appreciation for the contributions and work of Mr. Crane on behalf of the agency over the past three and a half decades and beyond.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Great Lakes Commission recognizes and extends its deep appreciation to Mr. Crane for his 35 years of distinguished service; and

Be it further resolved, that the Great Lakes Commission looks forward to Mr. Crane's continued service to the agency and the region; and

Be it further resolved, that the Great Lakes Commission hereby designates the agency's library to be known now and hereafter as the Thomas R. Crane Library, and directs that a plaque be created to hang in the library marking the name; and

Be it finally resolved, that this statement of appreciation be appropriately inscribed and conveyed to Mr. Crane and recorded in the permanent minutes of the Great Lakes Commission Annual Meeting, October 13-14, 2021.

*Adopted at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Great Lakes Commission, October 12-14, 2021, held online.
The resolution was passed unanimously.*