



## **Resolution Establishing Fees for Cruise Ship Visits/Bulkhead Rental**

**WHEREAS**, Great Lakes cruise ships are becoming more common and the City of Marquette is becoming a destination of choice; and

**WHEREAS**, City officials desire to make Marquette an attractive location for residents, as well as for all visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, City officials recognize that visits from such cruise ships place unusual strain upon the infrastructure of Mattson Lower Harbor Park and require the dedication of City resources to prepare in advance of, and often make repairs after, these visits; and

**WHEREAS**, staff also completed a review of operating practices and regional fee structures from similar communities and determined that the operational costs to host these ships are also increasing; this includes a law enforcement presence necessary to comply with standards for international travel, as well as the costs of park and bulkhead maintenance and marina staffing expenses;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that fees for Great Lakes cruise ship visits be established as follows, and be integrated into the City of Marquette fee schedule in future years:

Fee Schedule:

*Cruise Ship (Domestic Origin): \$2,500*

*Cruise Ship (International Origin): \$5,000*

This resolution will take immediate effect.

Duly adopted by the Marquette City Commission on May 30, 2023.

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Cody O. Mayer, Mayor

Certified to be a true copy on May 30, 2023.

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Kyle Whitney, City Clerk