

Brown Co. Supv. Gruszynski: Receives 2018 Local Legislator of the Year award

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Green Bay – In a crowded room surrounded by conservationists from 11 local advocacy groups, friends, and family, Brown County Supervisor Staush Gruszynski received the 2018 Local Legislator of the Year award on Wednesday night from the Brown County Conservation Alliance at Stadium View in Green Bay.

Gruszynski thanked the many local conservation groups in attendance and the Brown County Conservation Alliance for their work to help pass a resolution against the Back 40 mine in 2017.

“I couldn’t have been prouder of the groups that worked on this resolution with our county board, or of the supervisors on the floor when we cast this vote.

Several hundred people gathered at two separate county meetings to make their voices heard. They were not willing to accept a mine so close to the Menominee River, and our county board listened. I truly believe the unanimous vote was because of packed hearing rooms and an outpouring of support against the mine from the organizations in the room.

Some might look at the county board resolution that we passed against the Back 40 mine as symbolic – not much more than a piece of paper. Michigan’s DEQ has continued the permitting process even though several counties, cities and townships, both in Wisconsin and Michigan, have passed similar resolutions against the mine. But to me, this resolution re-affirmed a simple truth about our democracy

- something that has been lost in Madison. When you show up, legislators listen.”

Gruszynski stated that he will continue to be their voice in Madison and fight for clean water, conservation, and Wisconsin’s rich sporting heritage.

Brown County Conservation Alliance (BCCA) is an organization dedicated to the promotion of wise use and conservation of our natural resources on the national, state, and local level. BCCA’s goal is to engage in, and support, science based efforts to manage our natural resources, as well as to promote a better understanding of the value of our natural resources among the citizens of our community.

Current Member Organizations Include: Green Bay Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Green Bay Duck Hunters Association, De Pere Sportsman’s Club, Green Bay Area Great Lakes Sport Fishermen, Brown County Izaak Walton League, Southern Brown County Conservation Club, Clean Water Action Council, Baird Creek Preservation Foundation, NEW Beagle Club, NEW Audobon Society.