The Lafayette County Board of Supervisors in legal session assembled, does hereby enact and ordain as follows:

LAFAYETTE COUNTY REPURCHASE OF TAX FORECLOSED LANDS ORDINANCE

- 4-5-1 This Ordinance is passed pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 75.35(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes and is permissive.
- 4-5-2 Lafayette County may opt to allow former owners, surviving spouses of former owners, or the adult children of former owners to repurchase lands to which Lafayette County has taken title through delinquent tax enforcement collection action by payment of:
 - 1.) All delinquent taxes together with interest and a penalty of 3.96 % annually thereon to the date of payment; and
 - 2.) A prorata share of the costs of the proceedings; and
 - 3.) An additional sum equal to ten (10%) percent of the foregoing delinquent taxes.

Any sale made under the provisions of this Ordinance shall be exempt from all of the requirements of Section 75.69 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

- At any time after proceedings for publication and sale of such lands, pursuant to Chapter 75 have been commenced, the County may, at its option, grant former owners the right to repurchase land pursuant to this Ordinance, or at its option the County may refuse to grant the privilege of repurchase provided by Section 4-5-2 of this ordinance. No former owner shall be allowed to repurchase lands to which Lafayette County has taken title beyond 4:30P.M. on the last business day prior to the date set for opening of bids. The Finance Committee of the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors shall have the authority to determine whether former owners will be allowed to repurchase lands in accordance with this ordinance.
- In the event it appears that any person seeking to repurchase property from Lafayette County pursuant to this ordinance has acted in bad faith or has attempted to avoid any type of legal obligation by allowing said property to be foreclosed upon for delinquent taxes, the Lafayette County Finance Committee shall refuse to allow the repurchase of land in accordance with this ordinance.

I, Linda L. Bawden, Clerk of the County of Lafayette, State of Wisconsin, do certify that this ordinance was adopted by the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on June 21, 2004.

Linda L. Bawden

Lafayette County Clerk