## RESOLUTION NO. 12 SERIES OF 2022

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF CARBONDALE, COLORADO SUPPORTING FEDERAL DESIGNATION OF THE CRYSTAL RIVER AS A WILD AND SCENIC RIVER

WHEREAS, The Town of Carbondale has historically been in support of a Wild and Scenic designation for the Crystal River, including Board of Trustee support in 2014. The Town of Carbondale, Board of Trustees are in support of a Wild and Scenic River designation for the Main Stem of the Crystal River from its headwaters in the Maroon Bells- Snowmass Wilderness area to a point just above the Sweet Jessup Ditch;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Carbondale, CO support Congress and appropriate federal, state, local and water conservation district officials in acting toward achieving this designation in order to protect, in perpetuity, the water quality and quantity of the Crystal River in its free-flowing condition while maintaining the river's ranching heritage, sustaining the river's diverse fish and wildlife habitat, its remarkable cultural, historical, and scenic values, and protecting its diverse recreational uses;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Town of Carbondale, CO are committed to engaging in the community stakeholder process to gather public input and work with stakeholders to secure permanent protection for the Crystal River; and

**WHEREAS**, this designation will ensure the Crystal River remains a free-flowing, healthy and natural river with no dams or diversions out of the watershed.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, OF THE TOWN OF CARBONDALE, COLORADO, that:

- 1. We are in support of the Wild and Scenic River designation for the Main Stem of the Crystal River from its headwaters in the Maroon Bells- Snowmass Wilderness area to a point just above the Sweet Jessup Ditch.
- 2. We support Congress and appropriate federal, state, local and water conservation district officials in acting toward achieving this designation in order to protect, in perpetuity, the water quality and quantity of the Crystal River in its free flowing condition while maintaining the river's ranching heritage, sustaining the river's diverse fish and wildlife habitat, its remarkable cultural, historical, and scenic values, and protecting its diverse recreational uses.

3. We or an appointed designee will participate in a community stakeholder process to gather community input and work with stakeholders to secure permanent protection for the Crystal River.

INTRODUCED, READ AND PASSED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2022.

TOWN OF CARBONDALE

Ben Bohmfalk, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cathy Derby, Town Clerk