

## RESOLUTION 2026-88

### RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CEDAR COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF WEST BRANCH, IOWA

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 was signed into law on October 30, 2000, placing new emphasis on state and local mitigation planning for natural hazards and requiring communities to adopt a hazard mitigation action plan to be eligible for pre-disaster and post-disaster federal funding for mitigation purposes; and

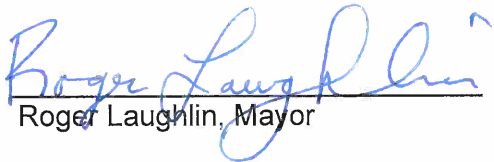
**WHEREAS**, a Hazard Mitigation Plan was prepared by the Cedar County Emergency Management Agency, with assistance from JEO Consulting Group, Inc.

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the mitigation plan was to lessen the effects of disasters by increasing the disaster resistance of the region and participating jurisdictions located within the planning boundary by identifying the hazards that affect the City of West Branch and prioritize mitigation strategies to reduce potential loss of life and property damage from those hazards, and

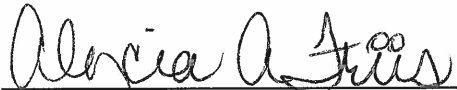
**WHEREAS**, FEMA regulations require documentation that the plan has been formally adopted by the governing body of the City of West Branch in the form of a resolution and further requesting approval of the plan at the Federal Level; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of West Branch, Iowa does herewith adopt the Cedar County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update in its entirety as approved by FEMA.

**Passed and approved this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2026.**

  
Roger Laughlin, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Alycia Fris, City Clerk