

RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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INITIATED BY



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Human Service Board
SUBMITTED BY

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DATE DRAFTED

TO RECOGNIZE GRETCHEN DYPOLD

1 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Dypold has served the citizens of Rock County for over sixteen (16) years as a
2 dedicated and valued employee of Rock County; and,
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4 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Dypold began her career on February 19, 2001 as a Master's Social Worker for the
5 Rock County Human Services Department, she has served the County in the primary role of Prevention
6 Specialist. Throughout the course of her employment, Ms. Dypold carried out this role in a number of
7 ways. As the Brighter Futures Coordinator for the County, she worked with the Child Protective
8 Services and Juvenile Justice divisions as well as a variety of community agencies to create prevention
9 programs and projects that enhanced positive youth development through the use of the Developmental
10 Assets approach; and,
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12 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Dypold was a leader in coordinating the development of the Rock County Home
13 Visiting Network. Along with other community leaders, a system for increasing collaboration around
14 home visiting services was initiated. A primary benefit of Ms. Dypold's work in this area was
15 decreasing the duplication of services, thus eliminating agencies working at cross purposes; and,
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17 **WHEREAS**, in addition to her Prevention work, Ms. Dypold was instrumental in researching and
18 writing grants that allowed the County to develop innovative programming for our internal clients as
19 well as those who receive services through community partners. Most recently, Ms. Dypold partnered
20 with Children's Hospital of Wisconsin and Rock-Walworth Head Start/Early Head Start to implement
21 the Comprehensive Home Visiting grant. During the five (5) years that Rock County held this grant,
22 Ms. Dypold and her partners developed programming that resulted in pregnant African-American
23 mothers and families with newborns get off to a healthy start in life by completing 4965 home visits
24 focusing on providing education, support, parent/child developmental activities and community
25 connections; and,
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27 **WHEREAS**, with each job responsibility transition, Ms. Dypold showed a high degree of adaptability
28 and willingness to assist her colleagues as much as she possibly could. She has an unmatched
29 commitment to her colleagues and a passion for prevention and she will be remembered for her tireless
30 work in advocating for the needs of those less fortunate members of the Rock County community; and,
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32 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Dypold has demonstrated through her actions her belief in the mission of the Social
33 Work profession; rooted in core values to include: service delivery, social justice, dignity & self-worth,
34 importance of human relationships, integrity and competence; and,
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36 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Dypold has proven herself to be a dedicated and outstanding employee, serving on
37 behalf of Rock County residents, and will be retiring from the Rock County Human Services
38 Department on Wednesday, February 1, 2017; and,
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40 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors, representing the citizens of Rock County, wishes
41 to recognize Ms. Dypold for her achievements and significant contributions to the citizens of Rock
42 County and her lifelong and faithful service.
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44 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly
45 assembled this 23rd day of February, 2017, does hereby recognize Ms. Dypold for her 16 years of
46 service and extend best wishes to her in her future endeavors.

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Respectively Submitted,

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