

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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**National County Government Month - April 2012
"Healthy Counties, Healthy Families"**

1 **WHEREAS**, Rock County, takes seriously our responsibility to protect and enhance the health,
2 welfare and safety of its residents in sensible and cost-effective ways; and
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4 **WHEREAS**, Rock County's Mission statement is "To enhance the quality of life, **health**, safety, and
5 trust of all citizens by providing top quality public services through a creative and responsive team
6 committed to excellence, integrity, accountability, and respect."
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8 **WHEREAS**, county governments are essential to America's healthcare system and are unique in their
9 responsibility to both finance and deliver health services through public hospitals and clinics, local
10 health departments, long-term care facilities, mental health services and substance abuse treatment, and
11 coverage programs for the uninsured; and
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13 **WHEREAS**, each year since 1991 the (NACo) National Association of Counties has encouraged
14 counties across the country to actively promote their own programs and services to the public they
15 serve; and
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17 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors and employees are dedicated to the Counties
18 health via caring for our citizens in the following ways:
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20 **WHEREAS**, the Health Department and Human Services provides prescription drug collections,
21 immunizations, home visits to moms and babies, communicable disease follow up, lead assessments,
22 healthy home assessments, radon testing, private well water testing, permits for private septic systems,
23 restaurant inspections, paternity testing, pregnancy testing, campground inspections, school nursing,
24 follow up on nuisance complaints, follow up on bites for rabies and more. In 2011, 3,586 inspections
25 were conducted in restaurants, homes, campgrounds, tattoo parlors and wells. 8,168 vaccinations were
26 delivered last year alone; and
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28 **WHEREAS**, the County owns and operates Rock Haven. a 130 bed nursing home serving Rock
29 County residents in need of rehabilitation, the frail, elderly, those who have long term medical
30 needs/disabilities as well as behavioral/emotional/psychiatric care needs and developmental
31 disabilities. Rock Haven is unique in our care provision in that it provides for on-staff medical
32 physicians and a psychiatrist. In 2011 we provided 46,065 days of patient care and employed 250
33 employees both professional and non-professional; and
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35 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County 911 Communications & Sheriff's Office received 294,202 incoming
36 calls in 2011. The number of traffic stops and self-initiated calls that resulted in responding totaled
37 67,746; and
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39 **WHEREAS**, maintaining healthy roadways, Rock County owns 18 bridges, and is responsible for
40 caring for 112 other bridges in towns, villages and cities throughout the County. The County owns and
41 cares for 215 miles of County highway and 1,155 total miles of State, County and Town highways in
42 Rock County, Wisconsin.
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44 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Rock County Board, duly assembled this
45 12 day of April, 2012, does hereby proclaim April 2012 as National County Government
46 Month themed "Healthy Counties, Healthy Families" and encourage all County officials, employees,
47 schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities.

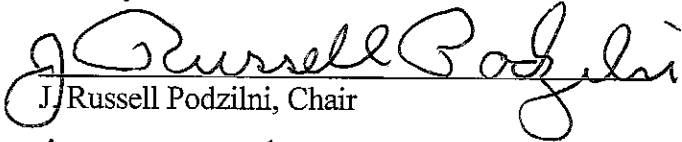
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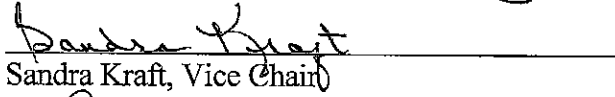
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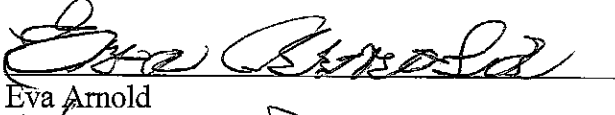
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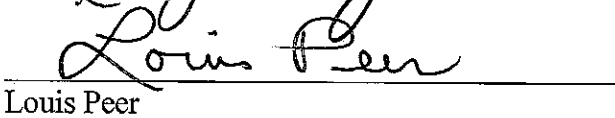

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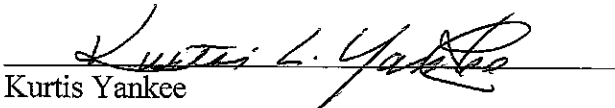

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