

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Josh Smith
INITIATED BY

Public Safety and Justice
SUBMITTED BY



Randy Terronez
Assistant to the County
Administrator
DRAFTED BY

January 10, 2018
DATE DRAFTED

RECOGNIZING KRIS BAKER ELLIS – CHILD SUPPORT DIRECTOR

1 **WHEREAS**, Kris Baker Ellis began her career at Rock County as the Child Support Program Supervisor
2 on November 11, 1986 in the Rock County Child Support Unit in the Office of the District Attorney; and
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4 **WHEREAS**, the Child Support Unit consisted of 15.9 full-time employees and a caseload of 7,200 in
5 1986; and
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7 **WHEREAS**, the current staffing is 32.2 full-time employees and a caseload of 11,695; and
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9 **WHEREAS**, in 1990 the District Attorney’s Office attorney positions were converted from county to
10 state positions per State budget action which resulted in the creation of the IV-D Child Support Unit as a
11 standalone department per Resolution #90-1B-156; and
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13 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Baker Ellis’ position was reclassified to Child Support Director on January 1, 1992 which
14 she has held since; and
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16 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Baker Ellis has had many accomplishments during her tenure including:
17 - Being awarded Director of the Year by the Wisconsin Child Support Enforcement Association
18 (WCSEA) in 1993;
19 - providing the leadership that allowed for Rock County being awarded the County of the Year award
20 in 1995 and 2007 by the WCSEA;
21 - serving on the WCSEA Board from late 1980s and into the early 1990s;
22 - serving in a variety of state-wide roles including the State’s Policy Advisory Board; and
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24 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Baker Ellis has always kept the financial support of children as the department’s focus
25 and has worked diligently in that position until her retirement on February 2, 2018; and,
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27 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors representing the citizens of Rock County, wishes to
28 recognize Ms. Baker Ellis for her long, faithful and dedicated service, a total of 31 years and 2 months.
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30 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
31 this 25th day of January, 2018, does hereby recognize Kris Baker Ellis for her over 31 years
32 of service and extends their best wishes in her future endeavors.

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

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Mary Beaver, Chair

Henry Brill
Henry Brill, Vice Chair

Terry Fell
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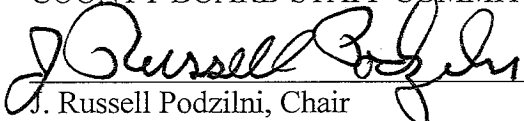
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Phillip Owens

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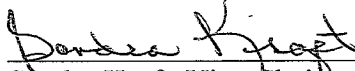
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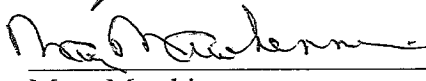
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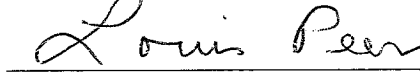
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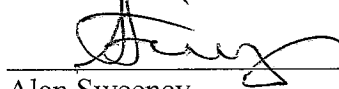
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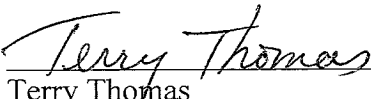
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