

RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Public Works Committee
INITIATED BY

Public Works Committee
SUBMITTED BY



Duane Jorgenson, Director of Public Works
DRAFTED BY

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DATE DRAFTED
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RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF APRIL 26 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2021 "WORK ZONE SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK IN ROCK COUNTY"

- 1 WHEREAS, in 1999, the Federal Highway Administration partnered with the American Association of
- 2 State Highway Officials and more recently the American Traffic Safety Services Association to create
- 3 the National Work Zone Safety Awareness campaign which is held annually in April prior to
- 4 construction season in much of the nation; and
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- 6 WHEREAS, the Wisconsin County Highway Association is asking all seventy-two counties in the
- 7 state to unite and kick off "Work Zone Safety Awareness Week" with a resolution and campaign to
- 8 raise awareness for its workers, the traveling public, public safety workers, and those of various
- 9 highway contractors performing work for the counties; and
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- 11 WHEREAS, construction and maintenance activities on our streets and highways periodically require
- 12 that work zones be established; and
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- 14 WHEREAS, data collected from 2015 to 2019 indicates an average of 2,677 work zone crashes in
- 15 Wisconsin annually; and
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- 17 WHEREAS, in 2020, Wisconsin suffered from more than 1,800 crashes in road construction and
- 18 maintenance zones, resulting in 665 injuries and 17 fatalities; and
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- 20 WHEREAS, between 2015 and 2019, there were 50 fatalities recorded as a result of crashes in
- 21 Wisconsin work zones including three Wisconsin County Highway workers which were killed in
- 22 work zones in 2015; and
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- 24 WHEREAS, through their enforcement activities and other participation, the Rock County Sheriff's
- 25 Office, Wisconsin State Patrol, and Rock County Highway Department are committed to working
- 26 together in 2021 to make Work Zone Safety Awareness Week a success; and
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- 28 WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration has designated April 26 through April 30, 2021 as
- 29 National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week,
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- 31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rock County Board of Supervisors convened
- 32 this 22nd day of April, 2021 that the week of April 26 through April 30, 2021 be designated
- 33 "Work Zone Safety Awareness Week" in Rock County.

Respectfully submitted,
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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Rick Richard, Chair

/s/Mary Mawhinney
Mary Mawhinney, Vice-Chair

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