

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

COUNTY BOARD
INITIATED BY



JEFFREY S. KUGLITSCH
DRAFTED BY

COUNTY BOARD STAFF
COMMITTEE and PUBLIC
SAFETY AND JUSTICE
COMMITTEE
SUBMITTED BY

JULY 28, 2010
DATE DRAFTED

TO APPROVE REFERENDUM QUESTION ON THE OFFICE OF CORONER VERSUS MEDICAL EXAMINER FOR THE NOVEMBER 2, 2010 GENERAL ELECTION

1 **WHEREAS**, the County Board has considered the question of coroner versus medical examiner on
2 numerous occasions; and
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4 **WHEREAS**, the County Board at their May 27, 2010 meeting voted to present this question to the voters
5 of Rock County; and
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7 **WHEREAS**, advisory referendums are permitted by the County pursuant to § 59.52(25), Wis. Stats.
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9 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Rock County Board of Supervisors in session this
10 9th day of September, 2010, that they place the following advisory referendum on the County wide
11 general election ballot scheduled for November 2, 2010:
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13 ~~(History:) Currently, the electors of the County of Rock elect a County Coroner to a four-year term. The
14 County Board of Supervisors has previously considered changing the Office of the County Coroner to a
15 County appointed medical examiner system. The Rock County Board of Supervisors voted on May 27,
16 2010 to place this advisory referendum on the ballot.~~
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18 **(Question:)** Should the County of Rock exercise its authority under Article VI, § 2 of the Wisconsin
19 Constitution to replace the existing elected Office of County Coroner with a County appointed medical
20 examiner system, effective January 2015?
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22 **(Instruction:)** Effect of Vote: A yes vote would favor abolishing the Office of County Coroner and
23 establishing an appointed medical examiner system. A no vote indicates you are opposed to the question
24 and the current system should remain.

Respectfully submitted:

COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

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Absent
Ivan Collins, Chair

Sandra Kraft
Sandra Kraft, Vice Chair

Larry Wiedenfeld
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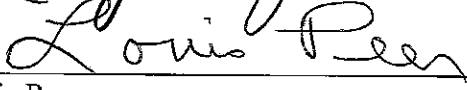
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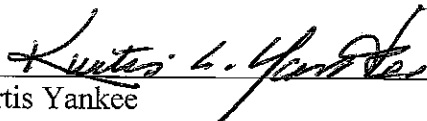
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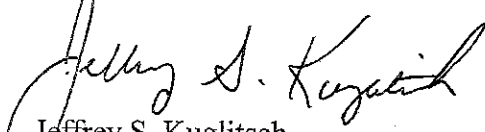

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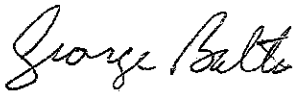
LEGAL NOTE:

The legal authority for this action is stated in the resolution.


Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Corporation Counsel

FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution only authorizes the referendum be placed on the fall ballot.
As such, it has no fiscal impact at this time.


George Baltes
Internal Auditor

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Matter of Policy.


Craig Knutson
County Administrator