

**RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

FORMER SUPERVISOR  
BILLY BOB GRAHN  
INITIATED BY

SOUTHERN WISCONSIN ALLIES  
OF NATIVE NATIONS  
DRAFTED BY

SUPERVISORS STEPHANIE  
AEGERTER AND VICKI BROWN  
SUBMITTED BY



OCTOBER 16, 2018  
DATE DRAFTED

**PROCLAMATION TO RECOGNIZE THE SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER AS  
"INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY"**

1 **WHEREAS**, Indigenous Peoples Day began in commemoration of five hundred years of survival and  
2 renewal of indigenous nations in the face of genocide, colonization, political, religious, and cultural  
3 repression; and  
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5 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors recognizes that the Indigenous people of this  
6 hemisphere, that would later be known as the Americas, have lived on these lands since time  
7 immemorial and the Rock County Board of Supervisors recognizes the fact that Rock County is built  
8 upon the homelands of the Indigenous people of this region; and  
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10 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors values the many contributions made to our  
11 community through Indigenous people's knowledge, labor, technology, science, philosophy, arts, land  
12 conservation techniques, along with deep spiritual cultural practice helped shaped the character of the  
13 land known as Rock County; and  
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15 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors will continue to support Indigenous Nations  
16 social and environmental justice, religious freedom and tribal sovereignty efforts; and  
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18 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors honors our country's indigenous roots and correct  
19 history, and seeks with this celebration to bring greater understanding of diversity by inclusion of  
20 indigenous people's culture and voice to the table in Rock County, Wisconsin; and  
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22 **WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors will recognize the desire of all Indigenous people  
23 representing all 567 tribal nations to celebrate the second Monday in October as indigenous peoples  
24 day, with special attention to Wisconsin's 12 federally-recognized tribal nations, and  
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26 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly  
27 assembled this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 2018, to affirm and proclaim that the second Monday in October  
28 will be known as Indigenous Peoples Day.

18-11D-124

Respectfully submitted:

COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE

J. Russell Podzilni  
J. Russell Podzilni, Chair

Mary Mawhinney  
Mary Mawhinney, Vice Chair

Richard Bostwick  
Richard Bostwick

Henry Brill  
Henry Brill

Betty Jo Bussie  
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Louis Peer  
Louis Peer

Absent  
Alan Sweeney

Terry Thomas  
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Absent  
Bob Yeomans

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FISCAL NOTE:

No fiscal impact.



Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

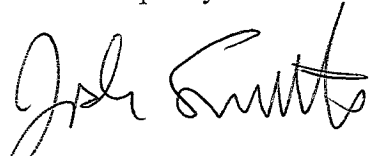
The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to § 59.51(2),  
Wis. Stats.



Richard Greenlee  
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Matter of policy.



Josh Smith  
County Administrator