#### RESOLUTION

#### ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Sheriff Robert D. Spoden

INITIATED BY

**Public Safety and Justice** 

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Sgt. Jay L. Wood DRAFTED BY

February 23, 2014

DATE DRAFTED

### <u>AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF</u> 2014 HIGHWAY SAFETY PROJECT GRANTS

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Safety, makes Federal Highway Safety funds available to local law enforcement agencies for various traffic safety programs; and,

WHEREAS, these funds are earmarked to allow law enforcement agencies to provide additional traffic enforcement patrols directed at improving traffic safety by seatbelt enforcement, thus reducing hazardous motorist behavior on roadways with a high incidence of injury or fatal accidents; and,

WHEREAS, the Rock County Sheriff's Office is eligible to receive a grant of \$5,000 to participate in this program; and,

WHEREAS, grant funds in the amount of \$5,000 will be used for overtime wages and related benefits; and,

WHEREAS, these grants require a local match of 25%; and,

WHEREAS, the match may be an in-kind match or a hard match.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors assembled this day of March 2014, that the Rock County Sheriff is authorized to accept funds under the Highway Safety Project Grants; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2014 budget be amended as follows:

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Account Description Account Number	01/01/14	Amount Incr (Decr)	Amended <u>Budget</u>
Source of Funds Federal Aid 21-2120-2014-42100	\$35,000	\$5,000	\$40,000
Use of Funds Overtime Wages 21-2120-2014-61210	\$30,001	\$5,000	\$35,001

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Respectfully submitted,

**Public Safety and Justice Committee** 

Ivan Collins, Chair

Mary Beaver

Henry Brill

Brian Knudson

Larry Wiedenfeld

#### **Finance Committee Endorsement**

Mary Mawhinney, Chair

#### **FISCAL NOTE:**

This resolution authorizes the acceptance and expenditure of \$5,000 in Federal Aid for the Sheriff's Highway Safety Program. Sufficient funding is available in the Sheriff's 2014 budget for the required 25% match.

Sherry Oja Finance Director

#### LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to accept grant funds pursuant to sec. 59.52(19), Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2014 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats.

Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Craig Knutson County Administrator

# Executive Summary Authorizing Acceptance of 2014 Highway Safety Project Grants

In 2012, 52% of persons killed and 24% of persons sustaining incapacitating injuries in Wisconsin crashes were NOT wearing safety belts. Many of these people were ejected from their vehicle. Statewide safety belt use was 79.9% in 2012, however Wisconsin safety belt use still remains about six percentage points lower than the national average. It has been estimated that safety belt use by motor vehicle occupants in Wisconsin prevents more than 200 traffic related fatalities and more than 8,000 serious injuries annually. (Data is preliminary).

Click-it or Ticket (CIOT) Enforcement Grant recipients are targeted based upon seatbelt usage. The intention is to encourage extraordinary seat-belt enforcement in areas of the state with low seatbelt usage.

The 2014 Seatbelt grant is for \$5,000. Grant funds in the amount of \$5,000 will be used for wages and related benefits.

A local match of 25% (\$1,250) is required. The match may be an in-kind (soft) match or a hard match.