RESOLUTION ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Finance Committee INITIATED BY	
Finance Committee SUBMITTED BY	



Jeffrey A. Smith, Finance Director DRAFTED BY

January 14, 2011 DATE DRAFTED

INITIAL RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND/OR NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$65,000

- 1 WHEREAS, the 2011 Adopted Budget, as amended by Resolution 11-1A-244, includes \$64,140 for the replacement of the boiler system in the Health Care Center building; and,
- WHEREAS, this project is included in the Budget with the anticipation that it would be funded with the future issuance of debt; and,
- 7 **WHEREAS**, this project will have long-term benefits and is most appropriately funded by debt 8 issuance.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 27th day of Online, 2011, that there shall be issued, pursuant to Chapter 67, Wisconsin Statutes, General Obligation Bonds and/or Notes in an amount not to exceed \$65,000 for
- 13 purchasing, constructing, removating, remodeling, improving and equipping the County's facilities.

Respectfully submitted,

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mary Mawhinney, Chair

Sandra Kraft, Vice Chair

ABSENT Mary Beaver

David Diestler

J. Russell Podzilni

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FISCAL NOTE:

The purpose of this Resolution is to authorize expenditures from the 2011 Budget, as amended by Resolution 11-1A-244, for the replacement boiler system in the Health Care Center building. If the County adopts this resolution, the project costs and issuance costs will be included in a subsequent resolution that authorizes the issuance of General Obligation Bonds and/or Notes.

1993 Wisconsin Act 16 (the State Budget Bill) established property tax levy rate limits for Wisconsin Counties, beginning with the 1993 payable 1994 levy. The Wisconsin Department of Revenue's Administrative Rules authorize an increase in the debt levy rate under certain conditions, including resolutions authorizing debt issuance that are adopted by affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the members of the County Board. The County Board may also approve the issuance of debt by adopting a resolution which provides a reasonable expectancy that the new debt will not cause the County to increase its debt levy rate. It is my opinion that the debt amortization that would be incurred upon issuance of debt for the project included in this Resolution would not exceed Rock County's debt levy rate as limited by Wisconsin Act 16.

Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

This is only an initial resolution. Pursuant to sec. 67.05(10), Stats., the County Board, before issuing any contemplated long-term debt, must adopt a resolution levying a direct, annual tax sufficient in an amount to pay for the express purpose of paying the interest on such bonds as it falls due, and also to pay and discharge the principal thereof at maturity. That will happen at a later date.

A majority vote is necessary to adopt this Resolution. However, a three-fourths vote of the "members-elect" would avoid any potential issue relative to the debt levy rate limit.

Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Craig Knutson

County Administrator