#### RESOLUTION ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Dave Homan
INITIATED BY

General Services Committee SUBMITTED BY



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# Adopting Goals for Energy Conservation and Energy Independence

WHEREAS, in 2009 the State of Wisconsin has created the Office of Energy Independence and established a goal of generating 25% of electricity and transportation fuels from renewable sources by 2025; and

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WHEREAS, 147 Wisconsin local governments passed resolutions adopting these State goals; and

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WHEREAS, the Office of Energy Independence was seeking partnerships with local governments to further enhance the State of Wisconsin's efforts to achieve the "25 x 25" goals; and

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WHEREAS, in 2015 the Office of Energy Independence responsibilities were moved over to the Public Service Commission where the energy conservation and renewable energy initiatives are being handled through Focus on Energy; and

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WHEREAS, Rock County in 2013 installed a Geothermal system at the new Rock Haven Nursing Home which represents 6% of our total electric and transport fuels; and

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WHEREAS, Rock County in 2016 and 2017 utilized Focus on Energy incentives and implemented several initiatives among County owned buildings to reduce our annual energy usage by 398,478 KWH and 11,891 Therms, thus reducing our greenhouse gases of carbon dioxide equivalent by 792,783 pounds annually; and

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**WHEREAS**, Rock County will continue to review renovations and new construction for opportunities to implement energy conservation in the design, as well as opportunities for renewable energy sources and utilizing Focus on Energy incentives.

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Respectfully submitted,

GENERAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

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## **FISCAL NOTE**:

Fiscal impact is unknown at this time.

Sherry Oja Finance Director

## **LEGAL NOTE**:

County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to § 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats.

Richard Greenlee Corporation Counsel

#### ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Matter of Policy.

Josh Smith County Administrator