

**RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Karen Cain  
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Board of Health  
SUBMITTED BY

April 1, 2015  
DATE DRAFTED

**Support Legislation to Secure State Funding for Local Health Departments to  
Conduct Communicable Disease Control Activities**

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin has no dedicated, stable federal and state funding sources for communicable
- 2 disease control and prevention efforts; and,
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- 4 **WHEREAS**, a strong public health infrastructure is paramount to the health of all citizens; and,
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- 6 **WHEREAS**, emerging and existing communicable diseases threaten health security, economies, and
- 7 quality of life for all; and,
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- 9 **WHEREAS**, communicable diseases such as ebola, H1N1, measles, HIV and AIDS, tuberculosis,
- 10 influenza, measles, syphilis, gonorrhea, rabies, hepatitis, norovirus, polio, and pertussis can threaten the
- 11 lives and well-being of Wisconsin residents; and,
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- 13 **WHEREAS**, emerging and re-emerging threats such as ebola, H1N1, SARS, and measles threaten
- 14 personal and community safety and require substantial resources to contain; and,
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- 16 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin local health department communicable disease programs protect residents by
- 17 investigating and controlling communicable diseases, collecting data, educating the community about
- 18 prevention and the importance of immunizations, and caring for those affected by these diseases; and,
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- 20 **WHEREAS**, public health departments have been successful in controlling communicable diseases
- 21 through case reporting and involvement of public health staff in referral of exposed persons for screening
- 22 and prevention services; and,
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- 24 **WHEREAS**, evidence in the scientific literature indicates that partner notification services are not
- 25 adequately assured in the absence of specific public health staff involvement.
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- 27 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
- 28 this 9 day of April, 2015 does hereby Support Legislation to Secure State Funding
- 29 for Local Health Departments to Conduct Communicable Disease Control Activities.
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- 31 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that that the County Clerk be authorized and directed to send a copy of
- 32 this resolution to Governor Walker and the Rock County Legislative Delegation.

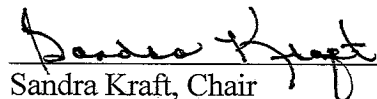
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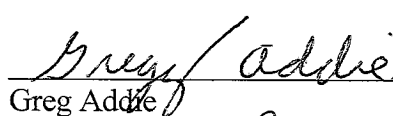
Respectfully submitted,

**BOARD OF HEALTH**

  
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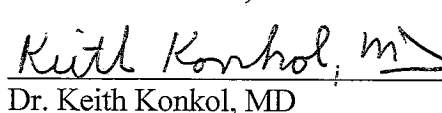
  
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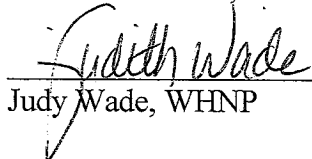
  
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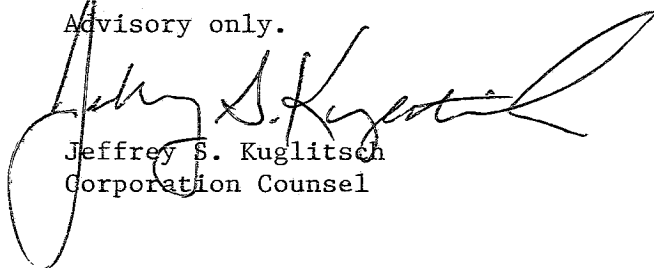
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Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

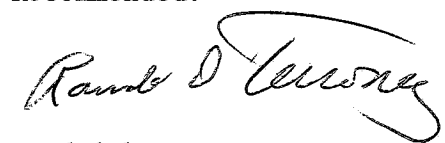
LEGAL NOTE:

Advisory only.

  
Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch  
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ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

  
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