

RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Supervisor Shirley Williams  
INITIATED BY



Randy Terronez, Assistant  
to the County Administrator  
DRAFTED BY

County Board Staff Committee  
SUBMITTED BY

July 28, 2020  
DATE DRAFTED

**HONORING TERRY FELL**

1 **WHEREAS**, Terry Fell served the Rock County community in a wide variety of service and with great  
2 sadness, honors his passing on July 25, 2020; and,  
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4 **WHEREAS**, Terry was a 1962 graduate of Beloit Memorial High School, was a 1966 graduate of the  
5 Rock County Law Enforcement Academy, received an Associate Degree in Police Science from  
6 Blackhawk Technical College in 1977 and earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Police Science from  
7 Milton College in 1980; and,  
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9 **WHEREAS**, Terry married Arlene Sue Johnson on May 14, 1966 and was a Vietnam War veteran,  
10 proudly serving his country with the U.S. Army; and,  
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12 **WHEREAS**, Terry started his law enforcement career with the Rock County Sheriff's Office in 1966 as a  
13 deputy; served as a patrol officer in Beloit from 1967 to 1970, and he returned to the City of Beloit Police  
14 Department as a patrolman and investigator until 1977; and,  
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16 **WHEREAS**, Terry served the Rock County Sheriff's Office as undersheriff from 1977 to 1981 and was  
17 chief deputy from 1982 to 1991; and,  
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19 **WHEREAS**, in 1986, he attended and graduated from the FBI National Academy, Session 143; in 1981,  
20 Terry went to Northeast Wisconsin Technical Institute, where he was a Recruit Trainer and Police Science  
21 Instructor; and worked as the Law Enforcement Coordinator for Blackhawk Technical College from 1996  
22 until 2005; during this time, he won the Coordinator of the Year award for the State of Wisconsin; and  
23 was a certified instructor for the State of Wisconsin Traffic Safety, Group Dynamics; and,  
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25 **WHEREAS**, Terry served as Police Chief in two communities: the Village of Clinton from 1970 to 1971  
26 and the City of Beloit from 1991 to 1996; and,  
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28 **WHEREAS**, Terry was a member of the Beloit Boys Baseball Association, the Rock County Law  
29 Enforcement Association, Blackhawk Technical College's Law Enforcement Advisory Committee, and  
30 the Board of Directors for the Rock Valley Corrections Program; and,  
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32 **WHEREAS**, Terry served on the City of Beloit City Council from 1997 to 1999 and from 2001 to 2003;  
33 and,  
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35 **WHEREAS**, Terry served on the County Board from 2011 to 2020 representing District 14; and devoted  
36 many hours on the following committees:

37 Long Term Support Committee (2012-2017) including serving as Chair from 2012-2017

38 Public Safety & Justice Committee (2015-2020)

39 Human Services Board (2011-2020)

40 Developmental Disabilities Board (2011-2014)

41 Health Services Committee (2012-2018)

42 Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (2014-2020)

43 Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (2018-2020)

44 Evidence Based Decision Making Ad Hoc Committee (2018-2020); and  
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46 **WHEREAS**, Terry Fell's legacy continues in his son Curt's service with the Rock County Sheriff's Office.

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47 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled  
48 this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020 does hereby honor with great sadness the passing of Terry Fell,  
49 commends him for his contributions to the betterment of Rock County and extends heartfelt condolences to  
50 his family.

Respectfully submitted,

COUNTY BOARD STAFF COMMITTEE

/s/ Kara Purviance  
Kara Purviance, Chair

/s/ Louis Peer  
Louis Peer

/s/ Richard Bostwick  
Richard Bostwick, Vice Chair

Absent  
Alan Sweeney

Absent  
Tom Brien

Absent  
Jeremy Zajac

/s/ Kevin Leavy  
Kevin Leavy

/s/ Bob Yeomans  
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/s/ J. Russell Podzilni  
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