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## PROCLAIMING NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH, APRIL 2010 – "HEALTHY COUNTIES"

WHEREAS, Rock County is one of 3,068 counties nationwide who provides a variety of essential public services to communities, serving more than 160,635 residents locally; and,

WHEREAS, Rock County takes seriously its mission to enhance the quality of life, health, safety, and trust of all citizens by providing top quality public services through a creative and responsive team committed to excellence, integrity, accountability, and respect; and,

WHEREAS, county governments are integral to America's health care system and are unique in their responsibilities to both finance and deliver health services through local health departments, long-term care facilities, mental health services and substance abuse treatment, and coverage programs for the uninsured; and,

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to actively promote county government programs and services to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of the nation's counties to meet the needs of the community; and,

WHEREAS, the Rock County Health Department takes a lead role in ensuring the health of the county's residents through immunizations, clinics, inspections, home visits, and ongoing community education; and,

WHEREAS, Rock Haven provides long-term care for 130 residents each day, while the Council on Aging provides information, assistance, and programming to ensure that the older residents of Rock County remain healthy and independent; and,

WHEREAS, the Human Services Department provides care for those with limited resources, including mental health and substance abuse services, while the Developmental Disabilities Board ensures that its clients are receiving the services they need to remain safe and healthy; and,

WHEREAS, numerous other County departments also take pride in their responsibility for the programs that promote health, safety, and well-being of the citizens and environment of Rock County; and,

WHEREAS, the National Association of Counties and Rock County are working together to restore and strengthen the partnership among all levels of government and join with counties around the nation to proclaim April 2010 as National County Government Month, themed "Healthy Counties," to recognize the services provided and actions taken by Rock County Government to keep our residents healthy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this day of 2010 does hereby proclaim April 2010 as National County Government Month and encourage all Rock County officials, employees, schools and residents to participate in county government celebration activities; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors recognizes and commends the employees of Rock County for their hard work and dedication in delivering these important programs and services.

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