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## RESOLUTION ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Denise Hegberg DRAFTED BY

April 16, 2014 DATE DRAFTED

## RECOGNIZING STEPHANIE ANN NICKOLS

WHEREAS, Stephanie Ann Nickols has served the citizens of Rock County for over twenty-three (23) years as a dedicated and valued employee of Rock County; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Nickols began her career on April 25, 1991, as a Social Worker in the Child Protective Services Division. During her time served, she assisted in both the Initial Assessment and Ongoing Service Units. Ms. Nickols was originally hired in 1991 as a Limited Term Employee (LTE) to investigate Child Abuse & Neglect concerns. Over the course of time, her position became more permanent and included Case Management roles and responsibilities. In August 2003, Ann was officially offered permanent employment at Rock County, with the CPS Ongoing Services Division. While functioning as a Social Worker in that capacity, she maintained an ongoing caseload with the goal to achieve permanency. Over the years, Ms. Nickols worked hard to establish trust and build relationships with the families she served. Ms. Nickols supported families with the goal of uniting them as an intact family. Ms. Nickols had great success in this role as many of the families she served were able to successfully reunify. Ms. Nickols found her work to be rewarding and gratifying. She was compassionate with families and driven to assist them achieve positive outcomes. Over the course of time, Ms. Nickols has dutifully advocated for the child(ren) and parent(s) best interest; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Nickols went into the Profession of Social Work to protect children and assist families; providing quality and superb case management; attaining client and family centered services to meet their needs, collaborating with community agencies, as well as engaging, building and maintaining relationships; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Nickols has demonstrated through her actions her belief in the mission of the Social Work profession; rooted in core values to include: service delivery, social justice, dignity & self-worth, importance of human relationships, integrity and competence; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Nickols has proven herself to be a dedicated and outstanding employee, serving on behalf of Rock County residents; and will be retiring from Rock County Department of Human Services on Thursday, May 1, 2014; and,

WHEREAS, the Rock County Board of Supervisors, representing the citizens of Rock County, wishes to recognize Stephanie Ann Nickols for her achievements and significant contributions to the citizens of Rock County and her lifelong and faithful service.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the County Clerk be authorized and directed to furnish a copy of this resolution to Stephanie Ann Nickols.

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