## RESOLUTION ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Human Services Board
INITIATED BY

Human Services Board SUBMITTED BY



Charmian Klyve, Director DRAFTED BY

March 16, 2014
DATE DRAFTED

## Opposing the State Budget Proposed Modifications in Aging and Disability Resource Centers

- 1 WHEREAS, the 2015-2017 State biennial budget proposes a number of changes that will negatively
- 2 impact the statewide nationally recognized model for providing information and referral services to aging
- 3 and disabled citizens through the Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC) in the State of
- 4 Wisconsin; and,

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- 6 WHEREAS, the proposed changes that will negatively impact the current "one stop-shop" model of
- 7 ADRC operations include: a) elimination of the local Aging and Disabilities Advisory Committee's; b)
- 8 elimination of the counties "right of first refusal" to operate the Aging and Disability Resource Center; c)
- 9 permitting the State to contract out all or a portion of the services currently provided by the ADRC,
- 10 including administration of the Long Term Care Functional Screen; and,
- WHEREAS, the State mandated the creation of a local Aging and Disability Advisory Committee with representation that mirrored the population being served, before any County could open an ADRC; and,
- WHEREAS, the vast majority of counties in the state have chosen to operate local Aging and Disability Resource Centers in their communities to serve their citizenry; and,
- WHEREAS, the Aging and Disability Resource Centers have been a "one-stop-shop" for local citizens in need of information and referral and long term care services; and,
- WHEREAS, a piecemeal contracting of portions of the ADRC services will likely fragment the array of services currently delivered by the ADRC's and eviscerate the "one-stop-shop" concept upon which the ADRC's were originally established; and,
- WHEREAS, the County ADRC's have provided outstanding service to the communities they serve and wish to continue to do so; and,
- WHEREAS, since the ADRC's are working well, there is no reason to dismantle the manner the current ADRC's operate and that our local citizens have come to rely upon.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this <u>Zb</u> day of <u>March</u>, 2015 does hereby authorize that this resolution be sent to the legislature indicating opposition to the proposed State budget modifications in the ADRC's.

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Respectfully submitted,

**HUMAN SERVICES BOARD** 

Shirley Williams

**FISCAL NOTE:** 

No fiscal impact.

Sherry Øja

Finance Director

**ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:** 

Matter of policy.

Josh Smith

County Administrator

**LEGAL NOTE:** 

Advisory only.

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