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## JURY APPRECIATION MONTH

WHEREAS, the right to have a trial by fair and representative jury is an essential safeguard protected by both the Untied States and Wisconsin Constitutions; and,

WHEREAS, service as a juror in the Rock County Circuit Court is, along with voting, one of the most important responsibilities of citizenship; and,

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin State Court System, partnering with the State Bar of Wisconsin, has established September as Juror Appreciation Month, a time to publicly recognize the contribution of those who are summoned and serve.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this day of September, 2015:

- Educate the public about jury duty and the importance of jury service; and,
- Applaud the efforts of jurors who fulfill their civic duty; and,
- Ensure that all jurors are treated with respect and that their service is not unduly burdensome.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Rock County Board of Supervisors extends its sincere thanks and appreciation to all employers who pay employees their normal wages while allowing them to serve as jurors, preventing financial hardship and fostering community strength.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** the Rock County Board Supervisors honors the service and commitment of citizens who perform jury duty, who by participating in the judicial process aid those elected to serve the citizens of Rock County by preserving the rule of law, the basis for a free society.

Respectfully submitted,

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