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I wish to speak during Citizen Participation on the following item : - To Whom It May Concern,
I wish to express my comments during the next Rock County Board Meeting on June 25th, 2020 reference the Rock County Stands Against Racism tshirts that were designed. I had filled out the form to do so, but there was no place to actually write my comments. I wish to have the following read if possible into the meeting minutes.

My name is Amanda Johnson, I am a city of Milton resident, a Rock County 911 dispatcher, and wife to Milton police officer. I have worked for this county for 12 years. I am completely heartbroken at Rock County's decision to make this shirt. This shirt does not represent anything except for the Black Lives Matter agenda. The names on this shirt do not represent racism issues with the exception of possibly 2 names, Trayvon (killed by a hispanic male) and Ahmaud (killed by white father/son duo). The other names, NONE of them were killed because of their race. They were either justly killed due to their actions, cleared by several courts of law as reasonable and justified, died by their own hand (suicide of Sandra Bland) which was due to her own hand and she was not found because of lack following policy on inmate checks and not being caught as a suicide risk, not due to her race. Same with the poor child that was killed as a result of a search warrant. She did not die due to her race, she died due to a search warrant being issued at a house harboring a criminal hiding out. If Rock County stands against racism, then put actual racism cases on these shirts, represent ALL races affected by it, ALL RACES who have suffered because of it. Why did Rock County choose to put names of criminals on here who died at the hands of officers defending themselves? This is a slap in the face to every single officer and deputy who fight every day to protect our county. Those same individuals who have helped to create community programs, volunteer to work with the community on days off, be a part of the very communities they work in. By allowing these shirts to have been created and worn, you, Rock County Board members and the members of the Diversity/Cultural committee have sent a very clear message to those very individuals you ask to keep you safe. You are telling that they you stand with criminals who look to harm citizens and law enforcement, the same criminals who fought to kill them, kill the very officers you ask to keep you safe. You are telling officers and deputies their lives do not matter, their actions don't matter, the effort they put into the communities do not matter. Why would our law enforcement units ever trust us again? Why would they ever trust that we will support and assist them when they need it. These shirts you have created have sent a very loud and clear message. You will stand to support criminals who put their lives at risk to harm the very heroes who would die for you and your family if that is asked for them. My husband and his fellow officers and deputies would lay their lives down without hesitation to keep you safe...and you choose this agenda to let them know that you do not care. My heart is so broken. I am so embarrassed and ashamed to be associated with this decision. How dare you tell these units working day and night, even sending them into other communities like Madison and Milwaukee to protect those citizens, that their lives do not matter. You'd rather throw your support behind the very people our heroes fight to protect you from. You owe an apology to every police department, fire/EMS department, and the Rock County Sheriff's department for your actions and to their families who also sacrifice their lives so that their loved ones can keep you safe day and night, weekends, holidays, etc. Thank you for your time and for listening. Please help to be productive in all aspects of our community. Stand behind

actual racism, not these cases.

~Amanda Johnson, heartbroken Law Enforcement Wife~

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Please enter the agenda topic you wish to speak on or provide your written comments here : - I have serious concerns about the resolutions concerning systemic racism in Rock County. These resolutions contain language and concepts from the worldview of Critical Race Theory. This ideology is harmful and has no business being enshrined in our local government. Many do not realize that in their desire to be compassionate to certain groups, they are being manipulated into an entire belief system they have no knowledge of. This belief system does not allow any dissent. It assumes that those who disagree with it are white supremacists, and uses circular reasoning to prove this. If this becomes the mindset of the county, it will eventually suppress the free speech of any who oppose this ideology, in the name of protecting people of color and other allegedly oppressed groups. In assuming that those who disagree with this are white supremacists, it demonizes those people and makes it very easy in the future to take away their rights, oppress them, and silence them. This is a dangerous, slippery, back door way of introducing pernicious ways of thinking. Please do not vote in favor of these resolutions. There is an assumption that the government can be neutral and not promote a worldview. This resolution is evidence that this is a lie. Because this worldview is secular, it is thought that it is neutral, because it's not traditionally religious, but it's not a neutral worldview. In fact, it's actually a secular religion. Don't promote this. This would mean our local government is favoring one viewpoint above all others, and it does more than favoring the others- it actually demonizes them.

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Full Name - Yusuf Haman Akin Adama

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Racism has been a problem in our country since its inception centuries ago. While the Civil Rights Movement and the Civil Rights Act was supposed to have been the "end-all" to this, it has been anything but that. Why is the subject of race such a hot-button topic? We all bleed the same if you cut us open. For far too long, this has been a problem, and it is time that we declare it a public health crisis.

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Declaring Racism a Public Health Crisis (Agenda 12.D)

I strongly urge the County Supervisors to support constitutional republic governance, the oath each member has taken. Subordinating any unconstrained and ambiguous acknowledgment or powers to Public Health Departments and/or special interest contractors results in stark contrast to representation government.

The WI Health Department system have outwardly demonstrated in 2020 the reckless abuse of WI statue Chapter 252 and expressed 252.06 limitations with over reach on health public and private business. Open and ambiguous resolution invites tyranny and is a assault on the soul of a free public.

This resolution based on opinions of special interest and propoganda sources, not based on science. Case in point; one verifiable quote is proven patently false with a quick query in the WISH System (annual Wisconsin Deaths report) latest data of 2017 displays 16.9% of deaths contrasting statement on lines 25 & 26. With the resolution makers unable to get a simple fact correct, this violates the public trust. Our Rock County Board should not become a party to this misinformation, especially in times when emotions are high. If the authors would provide a resolution that is specific and accountable, this position could be different

Full Name - John hillmann

Organization Representing (if applicable) - Self (Desiring to be a free person as the constitution provides for all people)

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