## RESOLUTION

### ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Brian Knudson and Katherine Luster INITIATED BY



<u>5/1/2023</u> DATE DRAFTED

# Recognize Kathleen Lawver

**WHEREAS**, Kathleen Lawver, *née* Johnson, has served the citizens of Rock County for over twenty-five (25) years as a dedicated and valued employee of Rock County; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Lawver began work for Rock County on December 15, 1997 as a Juvenile Probation Agent. In 1998, she transferred to the Juvenile Probation In-Home Family Treatment Team as a therapist. From 2006 to 2007 she served as a Juvenile Probation Supervisor before returning to the In-Home Family Treatment Team. Since then, she provided individual and family therapy for Family Crisis, followed by Functional Family Therapy, and then Comprehensive Community Services. In these roles, she provided therapy for youth, adults, and families with the highest level of mental health needs that can be served in the community. To meet this need, she has consistently sought professional development to provide the best interventions possible; and,

WHEREAS, throughout her service to Rock County, Ms. Lawver felt like she was "wired to try to help people" and she found something she liked about each person. She assumes that people are doing the best they know how in the moment, and if they are coming to therapy, it is because they want to improve themselves. She stayed with Rock County because she enjoyed and respected her clients, coworkers, and the leadership. Ms. Lawver is described by her peers as, "the nicest person you will ever meet" because she finds the good in everyone. She is engaging, competent, professional, and humble. She volunteered for the Critical Incident Response Team out of a desire to support co-workers through difficult times; and,

WHEREAS, Kathleen Lawver has assisted hundreds of clients and families in Rock County address mental health and relational challenges in a way that demonstrates compassion and competence, and her impact on the community is immeasurable; and,

WHEREAS, the Rock County Board of Supervisors, representing the citizens of Rock County, wishes to recognize Kathleen Lawver for her dedication and contribution to the citizens of Rock County.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly assembled this <u>22nd</u> day of <u>June</u>, 2023, does hereby recognize Kathleen Lawver for her 25 years of service and extend best wishes to her in her future endeavors.

### **Committee Action**

Human Services Board

Human Services Board recommended this resolution for approval by a unanimous voice vote.

## **County Board Staff Committee**

County Board Staff Committee recommended this resolution for approval by a unanimous voice vote.