RESOLUTION NO. 17 - 34

A Resolution Urging The Legislature To Create And Fund A Permanent, Dedicated Funding Source To Assist Local Health Departments To Deal With Communicable Disease Prevention And Control.

WHEREAS it is important for Richland County and all other counties in Wisconsin to have the capacity to deal with prevention, surveillance, investigation and control of communicable diseases, including traditional diseases, emerging disease threats and global diseases that require a local public health response, and

WHEREAS there is currently no dedicated, stable State funding source to assist local public health departments to deal with the ever-present threat of communicable diseases, and

WHEREAS the Health and Human Services Board has carefully considered this matter and now is presenting this Resolution to the County Board for its consideration.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Governor Walker and the Wisconsin Legislature are hereby urged to support the creation of a permanent, dedicated fund in the amount of $2.5 million per fiscal year, for a total of $5 million over the biennium in the next State budget for the purpose of providing financial assistance to local health departments in order that they will have sufficient staff and resources to support effective infectious disease prevention efforts, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall send a copy of this Resolution to Governor Scott Walker, to the Secretary of the Department of Health Services, to all State legislators whose districts include any part of Richland County and to the Wisconsin Counties Association, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION
AYES _______ NOES _______
RESOLUTION Adopted

COUNTY CLERK

DATED March 21, 2017

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR MEMBERS OF THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

FOR AGAINST

STATE OF WISCONSIN) JSS
COUNTY OF RICHLAND)

I, Victor V. Vlasak, County Clerk in and for the County of Richland, do hereby certify that the above resolution is a true copy of the original adopted by the Richland County Board of Supervisors at the March meeting held on the 21st day of March, 2017.

Victor V. Vlasak
Richland County Clerk