**Resolution #61-12-18**

**SUPPORTING EXPUNGEMENT REFORM**

1. WHEREAS, an estimated 1.4 million individuals in Wisconsin have criminal records; and
2. WHEREAS, an individual's ability to secure employment, housing, and financing is significantly impeded if such an individual has a criminal record; and
3. WHEREAS, under current law, a court may order a person's criminal record be expunged, or sealed and made unavailable to the public, for certain convictions that a person committed before the age of 25. The expungement request and order must be made before or at sentencing and the record is expunged upon completion of the sentence; and
4. WHEREAS, current law does not allow expungement requests and orders after sentencing or case closure and does not allow for expungement for acquittals or dismissed charges; and
5. WHEREAS, expanding Wisconsin's expungement law could provide individuals with criminal records more opportunities for employment, housing, and financing.

22. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Clark County Board of Supervisors hereby supports expanding Wisconsin's expungement law by allowing a person, regardless of age, to request expungement after completion of their sentence, as well as for acquittals, dismissed charges, and civil convictions, and to allow the court to order such expungement after certain requirements have been met.

29. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk shall send a copy of this resolution to the Governor-elect of the State of Wisconsin, Clark County's Legislative Representatives, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

**EXECUTIVE, JUDICIAL, AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Wayne Hendrickson  
Joe Waichulis  
Chuck Rueth

Jerome Krempasky  
Duane Boon

**FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:**

- Projected new positions: None
- Anticipated revenues: None
- Wages & Benefits: None
- All other costs: None
- Space requirements: None

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I, Christina M. Jensen, Clerk for the County of Clark, hereby certify that this Resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors at the meeting held December 20, 2018.

Christina M. Jensen  
Clark County Clerk  
Neillsville, WI 54456

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