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**DUNN COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
RESOLUTION NO. 35**

**In Support of the Hmong Community**

WHEREAS, the state of Wisconsin has a rich history of opening its doors to peoples of all backgrounds and experiences; and

WHEREAS the state of Wisconsin is the proud home of nearly 50,000 Hmong people which is one-fifth of Hmong people living in the United States; and

WHEREAS, most of the Hmong people living in Wisconsin came here as refugees seeking asylum after fighting alongside our soldiers during the Vietnam war; and

WHEREAS, many Hmong people are part of our community here in Dunn County as our neighbors, family members, friends, co-workers, business owners, students, veterans, and important contributors to our agricultural life and economy; and

WHEREAS, the Dunn County Board of Supervisors proudly stand by all our residents; and

WHEREAS, we celebrate the values of our diverse community and are inclusive of all our students, staff, families and community members of all races, ethnicities, faiths, national origins, immigration statuses, political viewpoints, abilities, sexual orientation, and gender identities, and

WHEREAS, a recent proposal by the current Presidential administration seeks to deport certain longtime Hmong residents of the United States, which could impact up to 4,500 Hmong people nationwide; and

WHEREAS, proposals such as this have cultivated fear and concern in Hmong communities across Wisconsin, including in Dunn County; and

WHEREAS, numerous community leaders, and local and national elected officials have called on the administration to reconsider this proposal and have expressed their opposition to any agreement that results in the indiscriminate deportation of Hmong people living in Wisconsin and the United States;

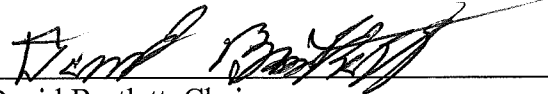
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that that the Dunn County Board of Supervisors reiterates its steadfast support of all the members of the Hmong community living here in the United States, the State of Wisconsin, and the County of Dunn, and strongly urges the reconsideration of any proposal that would result in the deportation of any members of our Hmong community.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution be sent to each of Wisconsin's elected representatives in Congress and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Offered this 17th day of June, 2020, at Menomonie, Wisconsin.

OFFERED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Adopted on: June 17, 2020

  
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David Bartlett, Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Julie A. Wathke, County Clerk

Approved as to Form and Execution:

  
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Nicholas P. Lange, Corporation Counsel

**Budget Impact:** Adoption of this resolution will have no budgetary impact.