

**RESOLUTION NO. 32-06-18**  
**REQUESTING THE STATE OF WISCONSIN FULLY FUND TREATMENT COURTS**

WHEREAS, in a joint effort, counties and the State of Wisconsin have made a commitment to providing treatment and high accountability to drug and OWI offenders through the establishment of treatment courts; and

WHEREAS, the Opioid epidemic has reached staggering levels throughout the State of Wisconsin, forcing government to respond in a manner which is most likely to have long term, positive results; and

WHEREAS, treatment courts have received national attention as an effective treatment strategy for criminal offenders with substance abuse diagnoses; and

WHEREAS, counties and other State agencies already contribute to supporting treatment courts with a 25% match and countless, uncompensated hours from the Circuit Court Judge, Clerk of Courts, District Attorney, Human Services, Sheriff's Department, Public Defenders, and Probation and Parole.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Waushara County Board of Supervisors that:

1. Wisconsin find and maintain funding for all counties who are setting up, running, and maintaining treatment courts according to nationally recognized standards.
2. Wisconsin ensure that treatment courts are fully funded, through State administered grants, federal funding, or State tax dollars, at no expense to counties other than their 25% match.
3. "Fully funded" includes adequate money for all drug/alcohol tests, treatment, and assessments as needed for individual participants. It also includes paying for all staff costs, including benefits, all required training for treatment court panel members, operating expenses (including supplies and postage), and incentives and educational materials for participants.
4. Wisconsin carefully consider counties' requests for expansion of treatment court programs for other special populations, such as Family Treatment court programs and treatment court programs for Veterans, and fully fund them.
5. Clear, consistent, succinct rules and regulations for treatment court program administration are established, written, published, and distributed. Counties receive adequate support in successfully running treatment court programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the County Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and Waushara County's Legislative Representatives with the request that they assist in this endeavor.

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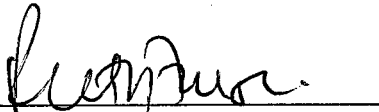
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Ayes \_\_\_\_ Nays \_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_ Absent \_\_\_\_  Voice Vote

Approved and adopted this 19th day of June, 2018.

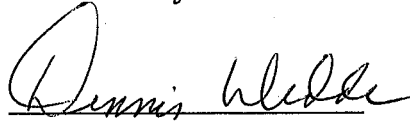
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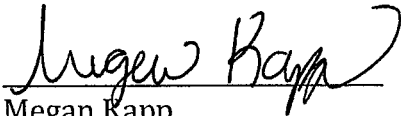
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Corporation Counsel

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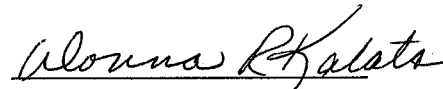
Dennis Wedde, Chair  
Department of Human Services Board

Attest:



Megan Kapp  
Waushara County Clerk

Signed by:



Donna R. Kalata, Chair  
Waushara County Board of Supervisors