CERTIFICATION OF RESOLUTION

I, Susan T. Ertmer, Winnebago County Clerk, certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 045-82016, "Support the “Just Fix It” Campaign and Urge the Governor and Legislature to Agree on a Sustainable Solution to Transportation Funding for Wisconsin Roadways" which was passed by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors on August 18, 2016.

Signed and dated this 4th day of October 2016.

Susan T. Ertmer
Winnebago County Clerk
RESOLUTION: Support the “Just Fix It” Campaign and Urge the Governor and Legislature to Agree on a Sustainable Solution to Transportation Funding for Wisconsin Roadways

TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

WHEREAS, local government in Wisconsin is responsible for about 90% of the road miles in the State; and
WHEREAS, Wisconsin’s diverse economy is dependent upon county and town roads as well as city and village streets across the state; and
WHEREAS, according to a Transportation condition report commissioned by the Local Government Institute of Wisconsin, the condition of Wisconsin highways is now in the bottom third of the country; and
WHEREAS, state funding for local roads has failed to keep up with costs over the past several decades which has adversely affected local transportation finances. According to the Local Government Institute, municipal transportation spending has declined from $275 per capita in 2000 to $227 in 2012; and
WHEREAS, levy limits do not allow local government to make up for the deterioration of state funding; and
WHEREAS, Wisconsin’s over-reliance on borrowing diminishes other funding sources such as the state gas tax and registration fees, which are used to pay debt service rather than fund transportation needs; and
WHEREAS, the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors recognizes that our state highway and interstate system plays a vital role in the economy of Wisconsin and both state and local roads need to be properly maintained in order for our economy to grow; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby supports the “Just Fix It” campaign and urges the Governor and State Legislature to work towards a sustainable solution which has a responsible level of bonding to adequately support Wisconsin’s transportation systems.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby directs the Winnebago County Clerk to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, to legislators representing Winnebago County constituents, and to the Wisconsin Counties’ Association.

Respectfully submitted by:

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Committee Vote: ____
Vote Required for Passage: Majority of those Present

Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this 2nd day of September, 2016.

Mark L Harris
Winnebago County Executive