

No. 2016/2017-66

RESOLUTION OPPOSING MAKING COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS OPTIONAL, ALLOWING NON-VETERANS TO FILL THE CVSO POSITION, OR CONSOLIDATING OR REGIONALIZING COUNTY VETERAN SERVICE OFFICES IN WISCONSIN

TO THE MANITOWOC COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1 WHEREAS, Wisconsin Stat. § 45.80 requires each county to elect a County Veterans
2 Service Officer (“CVSO”) who is a Wisconsin resident and who served under honorable
3 conditions on active duty in the armed forces; and

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5 WHEREAS, CVSOs are responsible for a high percentage of veterans’ claims at any given
6 time at the VA Regional Office in Milwaukee; and

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8 WHEREAS, CVSOs are a major stakeholder in assisting veterans with obtaining more
9 than \$2.7 billion in VA benefits annually in Wisconsin; and

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11 WHEREAS, CVSOs are invaluable to all veterans but especially elderly and disabled
12 veterans in the local community; and

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14 WHEREAS, CVSOs are the only veterans’ advocates when dealing with the VA who serve
15 veterans in their local community;

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17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Manitowoc County Board of
18 Supervisors desires to express its adamant opposition to the Wisconsin State Legislature of any
19 efforts to make County Veterans Service Officers optional; and

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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Manitowoc County Board of Supervisors desires
22 to express its adamant opposition to the Wisconsin State Legislature of any efforts to allow
23 non-veterans to fill the position of CVSO; and

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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Manitowoc County Board of Supervisors desires
26 to express its adamant opposition to the Wisconsin State Legislature of any efforts to allow any
27 consolidation and/or regionalization of county Veterans Service Offices; and

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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Manitowoc County Board of Supervisors directs the
30 Manitowoc County Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the Wisconsin Counties Association,
31 the President of the County Veterans Service Officers Association of Wisconsin, our State
32 Legislators, and Governor Scott Walker.

Dated this 14th day of February 2017.

Respectfully submitted by the
Executive Committee



Jim Brey, Chair

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

FISCAL NOTE: Reviewed and approved by Comptroller. 

LEGAL NOTE: Reviewed and approved as to form by Corporation Counsel. 

I respect the prerogative of the members of the Manitowoc County Board of Supervisors to voice their opinions on legislative issues. Therefore, it is my practice to neither approve nor veto a legislative policy resolution that has been enacted by the County Board in order to allow the County Board, acting as the legislative branch of county government, to freely express its sentiment on legislative and public policy issues or to request action by a governmental entity, or both.



Bob Ziegelbauer, County Executive

2/15/17
Date

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Vote Summary Report
02-14-2017

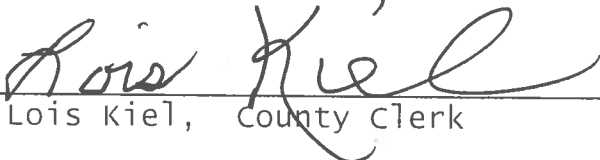
All Reports
Report , 2 , 1/2 Majority Based on Attendance

2. Resolution Opposing Making County Veteran Service Officers Optional, Allowing Non-Veterans to Fill the CVSO Position, or Consolidating or Regionalizing County Veteran Service Office in Wisconsin.

Seat	Dist	Attnd	Name	Aye	Nay	Abs
1	20	*	Hoffman, Chuck	[X]	[]	[]
2	11		Vogel, Randy S.	[]	[]	[]
3	15	*	Wagner, Catherine	[X]	[]	[]
4	24	*	Weiss, Don	[X]	[]	[]
5	5	*	Nasep, Jack	[X]	[]	[]
6	10		Zimmer, Don	[]	[]	[]
7	14	*	Baumann, James	[X]	[]	[]
8	8	*	Williams, Mike	[X]	[]	[]
9	3	*	Metzger, Rita	[X]	[]	[]
10	1	*	Holschbach, Todd	[X]	[]	[]
11	16	*	Cavanaugh, Robert	[X]	[]	[]
12	7	*	Vogt, Norbert	[X]	[]	[]
13	6	*	Hansen, Paul	[X]	[]	[]
14	13	*	Waack, Melvin	[X]	[]	[]
15	22	*	Dyzak, David	[X]	[]	[]
16	18	*	Muench, Nick	[X]	[]	[]
17	17	*	Maresh, Susie	[X]	[]	[]
18	12	*	Behnke, Kevin	[X]	[]	[]
19	21	*	Gerroll, Rick	[X]	[]	[]
20	9	*	Gauger, Dave	[X]	[]	[]
21	23	*	Henrickson, Rick	[X]	[]	[]
22	19	*	Falkowski, James J.	[X]	[]	[]
23	25	*	Swade, Ken	[X]	[]	[]
24	2	*	Nickels, Dave	[X]	[]	[]
30	4	Chair	Brey, Jim	[X]	[]	[]

Pass

On this 14 day of February 2017 by a vote of:
Aye = 23 Nay = 0 Abs = 0 Absent = 2

Attest: _____

 Lois Kiel, County Clerk