

**RESOLUTION # 2018-05**

**To Create a Nonpartisan Procedure for the Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Redistricting Plans**

1 To the Honorable members of the Burnett County Board of Supervisors;

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3 **WHEREAS**, currently under the state constitution, the legislature is directed to redistrict  
4 legislative districts according to the number of inhabitants at its next session following the  
5 decennial federal census by the majority party; and at the same intervals, the legislature also  
6 reapportions congressional districts pursuant to federal law, and

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8 **WHEREAS**, legislative and congressional redistricting plans enacted pursuant to this  
9 procedure are used to elect members of the legislature and members of Congress in the fall of  
10 the second year following the year of the census; and

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12 **WHEREAS**, historically legislative and congressional plans in Wisconsin have been subject to  
13 partisan influence that put the desires of politicians ahead of the electoral prerogative of the  
14 people; and

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16 **WHEREAS**, the 2011 process to draw the maps and fight litigation contesting those maps cost  
17 taxpayers nearly \$1.9 million; and

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19 **WHEREAS**, a panel of federal district court judges has ruled that the redistricting that was  
20 done in Wisconsin in 2011 was unconstitutional; and

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22 **WHEREAS**, redistricting to achieve partisan gains is improper, whether it is done by  
23 Republicans or Democrats.

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25 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Burnett County Board of Supervisors insists  
26 upon the creation of a nonpartisan procedure for the preparation of legislative and congressional  
27 redistricting plans; and

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29 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the process promotes more accountability and transparency  
30 and prohibits the consideration of voting patterns party information, and incumbents'  
31 residence information or demographic information in drawing the maps, except as necessary to  
32 ensure minority participation as required by the U.S. Constitution; and

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34 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this  
35 resolution to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Counties Association, the  
36 Wisconsin Towns Association, the Wisconsin League of Municipalities, all members of the  
37 state legislature representing Burnett County and to each Wisconsin County.

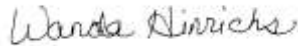
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1 Respectfully submitted and recommended for adoption by the Administration Committee.  
2 Signed and dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2018.

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4 State of Wisconsin  
5 County of Burnett

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7 I, Wanda Hinrichs, the duly elected and qualified County Clerk in and for Burnett County, do  
8 hereby certify that the attached Resolution 2018-05, "To Create a Nonpartisan Procedure for the  
9 Preparation of Legislative and Congressional Re" was adopted by the Burnett County Board of  
10 Supervisors at a legally assembled meeting at which a quorum was present and acted throughout.  
11 The date of passage was February 22, 2018.

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15 Wanda Hinrichs,  
16 Burnett County Clerk