



RESOLUTION# 20-12-15

Introduced by Judicial and Legislative Committee
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Motion: _____ Adopted: LAD

1st Feirer Lost:

2nd Clendenning Tabled:

No: 0 Yes: 19 Absent: 0

Number of votes required:

Majority Two-thirds

Reviewed by: PAK, Corp Counsel

Reviewed by: _____, Finance Dir.

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To request the Wisconsin Counties Association to formally support non-partisan redistricting by the state legislature and pursue legislation thereon.

FISCAL NOTE: No cost.

		NO	YES	A
1	LaFontaine, D		X	
2	Rozar, D		X	
3	Feirer, M		X	
4	Wagner, E		X	
5	Fischer, A		X	
6	Breu, A		X	
7	Ashbeck, R		X	
8	Hahn, J		X	
9	Winch, W		X	
10	Thao, L		X	
11	Curry, K		X	
12	Valenstein, L		X	
13	Hokamp, J		X	
14	Polach, D		X	
15	Clendenning, B		X	
16	Pliml, L		X	
17	Zurfluh, J		X	
18	Hamilton, B		X	
19	Leichtnam, B		X	

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IV, Section 3, of the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Legislature is directed to redistrict state legislative districts "according to the number of inhabitants" at its next session following the decennial federal census. The legislature also reapportions congressional districts at the same interval pursuant to federal law; and

WHEREAS, the practice of redistricting by the majority party stifles political participation and competition, discourages collaboration and compromise, pursues continued control by the party in power, and lacks the fairness necessary to our democratic process, by undermining the principle of one person, one vote, and

WHEREAS, the current procedure allows the majority party of the legislature to prepare redistricting plans and maps that may result in unfair partisan plans and maps, allowing the legislature to choose its voters rather than the voters choosing their representatives, which is commonly called gerrymandering, and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Counties Association is responsible for advocating the interests of all member counties, whether they be liberal or conservative and by having non-partisan redistricting at the state level, all Wisconsin counties would be best served as would their constituents.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY RESOLVES to request the Wisconsin Counties Association to pursue legislative action that would require non-partisan redistricting at the state level.

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William T. Clendenning

BILL CLENNENNING (Chair)

Bill Leichtnam

BILL LEICHTNAM

Ed Wagner

KENNETH CURRY

Joseph H. Zurfluh

ED WAGNER

Grant A. Pliml

JOSEPH ZURFLUH

County Clerk

Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, this 15th day of December 20 20
Grant A. Pliml
County Board Chairman