

Resolution \_\_\_\_\_

**Request the Wisconsin Legislature to Amend Wisconsin Statute  
§59.29(29)(a) Public Work Publication Requirements**

WHEREAS, under the current State law, if the estimated cost of any public work is between \$5,000 and \$25,000, a class 1 notice is required before the project is contracted; and

WHEREAS, with the incredible increase in costs of construction, repair, remodeling or improvement of any public work, building, supplies or materials the project costs can easily fall in the threshold of \$5,000 to \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, in small rural counties, the publication options are generally on a weekly basis; and

WHEREAS, to meet the publisher’s deadlines, the notice information needs to be submitted at least a week before publication; and

WHEREAS, this publication requirement can significantly delay a project and make it extremely difficult to move forward with contractors committing project costs and availability in their schedules.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Price County Board of Supervisors urges the Legislature to amend Wis. Stats. §59.29(29)(a) to eliminate the requirement for a class 1 notice for estimated cost of any public work being between \$5,000 and \$25,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to Governor Evers, the Joint Finance Committee of the Wisconsin Legislature, the state legislators for Price County and the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) for consideration at the WCA annual business meeting to become part of the WCA platform.

Submitted by the Price County Executive Committee:

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Adopted by the Price County Board of Supervisors on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023.

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Alan Barkstrom, County Board Chair

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Jean Gottwald, County Clerk

For: \_\_\_\_\_ Against: \_\_\_\_\_