

RECOGNIZING COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR DAVE RIPP FOR HIS 40 YEARS OF DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE ON THE DANE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WHEREAS, Supervisor Dave Ripp, of Waunakee, Wisconsin, has served on the Dane County Board of Supervisors for 40 years, having been elected in 1984 and finishing his 20th term on April 15, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Ripp served the residents of District 27 and District 29, from Martinsville to Deforest and from the Town of Dane to Verona for his entire career, representing approximately 15,000 Dane County residents; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Ripp has been an active member of the Dane County community over the last 50 years, giving his time and dedication in multiple ways locally and beyond, including service in the U.S. Marines and as a former Town Clerk; and

WHEREAS, throughout his time on the Dane County Board of Supervisors, he served on 25 different boards, commissions, and committees, including but not limited to the Alliant Energy Center Commissions, Community Development Block Grant Commissions, Emergency Medical Commission, Executive Committee, Justice System Space Needs Committee, Lakes and Watershed Commission, Land Conservation Committee, Park Commission, Personnel & Finance Committee, Public Works and Transportation Committee, the PWT Sustainability Subcommittee, and UW Extension Committee; and

WHEREAS, he was elected chair and vice-chair of multiple bodies over the years, and was chair of the Public Works and Transportation Committee for at least nine terms due to his broad knowledge, experience, leadership skills, and passion for public works policy and his years in the construction industry; and

WHEREAS, over the course of his career, Supervisor Ripp's colleagues acknowledged his ability to lead, his calm demeanor, and his knowledge of county board procedure, by electing him as a Sergeant at Arms for the 2012-2014 term; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Ripp has championed land and water conservation policies, sustainability, public works and transportation projects, and the youth and governance program by serving as a long-time mentor for youth by giving students from around the county the opportunity to experience local government first-hand; and

WHEREAS, Supervisor Ripp is a steady voice in the community and has given countless hours of his life to make the county a better place to live for all of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the impact of his work will be felt for years to come and his legacy will live on through the hundreds of pieces of legislation he has acted on during his long tenure.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dane County Board of Supervisors expresses deep appreciation for Supervisor Ripp's unparalleled commitment to public service, wishes him the best in his future endeavors, and thanks him for dedicating his life to helping others.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be presented to Supervisor Ripp as a token of the esteem with which he is held by the Dane County Board of Supervisors and the residents of Dane County.

Patrick Miles, Chair
Dane County Board of Supervisors

Signed and sealed before me this
_____ day of _____, 2024.

Scott McDonell,
Dane County Clerk