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3 **2023 RES-362**

4 **PRESERVING THE WEST WING ART AT BADGER PRAIRIE HEALTH CARE CENTER-**
5 **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**
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7 The West Wing Art Program has been an important part of the rich heritage of Badger Prairie
8 Health Care Center (BPHCC) for the past three decades. All of the art that adorns our facility
9 was created by our residents with the help of West Wing Artists, and serves as a reminder that
10 although our residents may have physical disabilities and cognitive impairment, they can
11 contribute to the aesthetics of this home, their home.
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13 For many years, prior to the Pandemic, our residents put on an annual art presentation for the
14 community, a showcase event attended by countless members of the community, family
15 members, loved ones, Dane County Administrative Officials and Government figures. Showing
16 our artwork to the community gave the residents a sense of pride, dignity, and expression.
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18 The retirement at the end of 2023 of Linda Koenig, West Wing Art Director since 1991, the West
19 Wing Art program has come to an end. We wish to preserve the artwork in the facility for as long
20 as possible, as a symbol and reminder to the public that "We Can Contribute", for all our current
21 and future residents, as well as honoring the work from past residents. While we understand
22 that nothing lasts forever, we would like to respectfully request the following resolution be
23 approved. Should there be an interest in future years to remove the resident artwork from the
24 walls of our facility, a recommendation would need to be made by the Director of Human
25 Services, and approved by the Health and Human Needs Committee.
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27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that future interest to remove any resident artwork
28 from the BPHCC facility would require recommendation by the Director of Human Services and
29 approval by the Health and Human Needs Committee.