

**2024 RES-105**  
**RECOGNIZING AUGUST 2024 AS TRANSGENDER HISTORY MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, Transgender History Month occurs in August each year and is dedicated to honoring the rich history and contributions of transgender history makers, pioneers, and trailblazers and promotes greater awareness and understanding of challenges and triumphs faced by transgender people; and

**WHEREAS**, the history of transgender individuals and communities is a significant and integral part of the broader narrative of civil rights and social justice; and

**WHEREAS**, transgender individuals have made, and continue to make, substantial contributions to the cultural, social, and political fabric of society; and

**WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin LGBTQ History Project is an organization dedicated to preserving and documenting the history of the LGBTQ community in Wisconsin, and the documentary *Explore Wisconsin's Hidden LGBTQ+ History and Leading Role in the Gay Rights Struggle* offers a comprehensive account of Wisconsin's transgender history; and

**WHEREAS**, Dick Wagner, former Chair of the Dane County Board of Supervisors, was a local trailblazer for LGBTQ+ rights, and captured the rich history of the Wisconsin LGBTQ+ community in his book, "We've Been Here All Along;" and

**WHEREAS**, the Dane County Board of Supervisors are a national leader in welcoming and supporting transgender community members as they recently passed a resolution declaring Dane County as a sanctuary for trans and nonbinary individuals; and

**WHEREAS**, August 2024 marks an opportunity to honor and remember the struggles and achievements of transgender individuals, past and present; and

**WHEREAS**, acknowledging and celebrating Transgender History Month will foster a more inclusive and accepting society, and promote equality and respect for all individuals regardless of gender identity or expression.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Dane County Board of Supervisors recognizes August 2024 as Transgender History Month.

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Patrick Miles, Chair  
Dane County Board of Supervisor

Signed and sealed before me this  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Scott McDonell,  
Dane County Clerk