

2017 RES-461
RECOGNIZING THE WISCONSIN TIBETAN ASSOCIATION AND THE
DANE COUNTY TIBETAN COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, On March 10th, Tibetans around the world annually commemorate their years of exile and celebrate the efforts to preserve and sustain their religion, culture, language and identity and to thank governments, including the United States, for its support during this time; and Dane County annually marks this date by flying the Tibetan flag at the City-County Building; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has enacted legislation declaring Tibet an occupied country whose true representatives are His Holiness the Dalai Lama and the Tibetan Government in Exile;

WHEREAS Dane County has long valued the local Tibetan community and is proud to be home to the Deer Park Buddhist Center located in the Town of Dunn, which is the site of one of the most important Tibetan cultural and Buddhist teaching centers in North America; and

WHEREAS, the Dane County values and appreciates the contribution of the Tibetan community and has been honored by multiple visits by the 14th Dalai Lama, Tenzin Gyatso, the leader of the Tibetan people as well as the spiritual leader of millions of Buddhists worldwide.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors recognizes the Wisconsin Tibetan Association and the Dane County Tibetan community which resettled in Dane County over 25 years ago.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to members of the Dane County Tibetan community as a token of the County Board's esteem.