

2025 RES-263

RECOGNIZING DECEMBER 18, 2025 AS INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS DAY

WHEREAS, December 18, 2025, is recognized globally as International Migrants Day, an observance established by the United Nations to acknowledge the experiences of migrants worldwide and to honor their cultural, social, and economic contributions to the communities in which they live; and

WHEREAS, Dane County is home to a diverse migrant community whose presence enriches the county's culture and economy, including through their contributions in hospitality, agriculture, child care, health care, and numerous other sectors essential to the daily functioning of our community; and

WHEREAS, Dane County's agricultural and dairy industries, foundational to both this county and the State of Wisconsin, depend significantly on the labor, expertise, and commitment of migrant workers who help sustain year-round food production and preservation; and

WHEREAS, migrants in Dane County bring resilience, dedication, and hard work to our community, often while balancing multiple jobs, supporting their families, adapting to their new environment and language, and contributing their skills in sectors that sustain our county, yet their experiences and voices are too often overlooked despite the vital roles they play; and

WHEREAS, the Dane County Office of Immigration Affairs continues to serve as a trusted resource for immigrants and migrants by uplifting community voices, providing support and referrals, and advocating for policies that promote safety and belonging for all residents; and

WHEREAS, Dane County remains committed to fostering an inclusive community where cultural diversity is celebrated, barriers to participation are reduced, and migrants and their families have equitable access to services, representation, and opportunities to thrive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors recognizes December 18, 2025, as International Migrants Day.

Patrick Miles, Chair
Dane County Board of Supervisors

Signed and sealed before me this
_____ day of _____, 2025.

Scott McDonell,
Dane County Clerk