2018 RES-040 RECOGNIZING MAY 20-26, 2018 AS EMS WEEK IN DANE COUNTY & HONORING DANE COUNTY AGENCIES THAT HAVE ACHIEVED 40 YEARS OF SERVICE IN 2018

WHEREAS the Dane County Emergency Medical Service (EMS) regional system is in its 41st year of providing coordinated quality care to the citizens of Dane County, and access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS 1,043 emergency medical providers, almost half of whom are volunteers, are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, and the members of the emergency medical service teams engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS the Dane County EMS system responded to over 44,000 calls for service in 2017, and has saved more than 375 individuals in Dane County since the defibrillation program began in 1989, including 31 in 2017; and

WHEREAS the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP), along with other partners, is sponsoring Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week throughout the nation;

WHEREAS DeerGrove EMS; servicing the Town of Cottage Grove, Village of Cottage Grove, Village of Deerfield, Town of Pleasant Springs at the Paramedic level of service celebrates 40 years of service in 2018;

WHEREAS Maple Bluff Fire; servicing the Village of Maple Bluff at the Advanced EMT level of service celebrates 40 years of service in 2018;

WHEREAS Oregon Area Fire/EMS; servicing the Village of Oregon, Town of Oregon, Town of Dunn, Town of Rutland at the Advanced EMT level of service celebrates 40 years of service in 2018;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes the week of May 20th – 26th as **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK** in Dane County, as a tribute to the value and accomplishments of the Dane County Emergency Medical Service providers, including emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Michael Lohmeier, Medical Director for Dane County EMS and Charles Tubbs, Sr., Director of the Department of Emergency Management, and EMS Chief's of DeerGrove, Maple Bluff and Oregon Fire/EMS in recognition of the outstanding accomplishments and dedication of the men and women in the Dane County EMS system.

Sharon Corrigan Dane County Board Chair

Signed and sealed before me this 17th day of May, 2018

Scott McDonell Dane County Clerk