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HONORING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2018 SAFETY AWARDS

WHEREAS every year, the Safety & Working Conditions Study Committee receives nominations for individuals who have gone above and beyond their day to day job duties to improve safety.

WHEREAS the Committee decided that this year's Individual Safety Award would go to Don Kraft & Ron Foye of Alliant Energy Center. Don and Ron were nominated for their efforts in improving the energy supply for vendors that utilize outdoor exhibition space. This involved moving the electric power underground, and installing a new 800 volt transformer to eliminate the use of temporary 20 foot poles and temporary wiring for major outdoor events. The safety of over one million annual attendees was the major goal in mind but also improved ADA accessibility with cable trays housing the wiring and no longer obstructing aisle ways and drive lanes. The new service no longer requires access to temporary wiring with boom lifts, especially during in-climate weather. In addition to increasing safety, this initiative saves over \$50,000 per year in labor of installing and removing temporary power service.

WHEREAS the Safety & Working Conditions Study Committee also gives out a Departmental Safety Award. For 2018, Badger Prairie Health Care Center is the winner of the County-wide safety award. Badger Prairie has previously won this award as a Department in 2007 and 2016, as well as having Badger Prairie staff win the individual award in 2010. Badger Prairie has consistently promoted a positive safety culture, reduced the frequency and severity of workplace injuries, and regularly finds restricted duty assignments when workplace injuries do, unfortunately, occur.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board and its Safety and Working Conditions Study Committee congratulate Don Kraft, Ron Foye, and Badger Prairie Health Care Center, and all staff involved in making a difference in safety and the wellbeing of others.