## 2020 RES-428

## RECOGNIZING NATIONAL INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK IN DANE COUNTY APRIL 18-24, 2021

**WHEREAS**, according to the Centers for Disease Control, one in eight couples have trouble getting pregnant or sustaining a pregnancy; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization and American Medical Association define infertility as a disease; and infertility affects women and men equally and does not discriminate based on race, religion, sexual orientation, marital status or socioeconomic level; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) community also faces challenges when building their families; and all people should have access to all family building options, to include adoption and medical treatment, such as in vitro fertilization and third-party reproduction; and

**WHEREAS**, cost and lack of insurance coverage are barriers for many in Dane County and in Wisconsin to access the family building option they need; and raising awareness of infertility and the barriers faced by the family building community is the first step to removing these barriers; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Dane County joins the National Infertility Association, the Wisconsin Alliance for Women's Health and dedicated volunteers, health care professionals, and members of the infertility and family building community in recognizing April 18-24, 2021 National Infertility Awareness Week.

Analiese Eicher, Chair
Dane County Board of Supervisor

Signed and sealed before me this	
day of	, 2021.
Scott McDonell Dane (	County Clerk