## 2023 RES-300

## RECOGNIZING JANUARY 16, 2024 AS THE NATIONAL DAY OF RACIAL HEALING AND JANUARY 27, 2024 AS INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

**WHEREAS,** Dane County recognizes the importance of fostering unity, understanding, and healing among its diverse communities; and

**WHEREAS**, racial healing is essential for building a just and equitable society that respects and celebrates the richness of cultural diversity; and

**WHEREAS,** January 16, 2024 marks the National Day of Racial Healing, providing an opportunity for individuals, communities, and organizations to engage in meaningful conversations and activities that promote reconciliation and understanding; and

**WHEREAS,** Dane County acknowledges the historical significance and the importance of remembering the Holocaust as a solemn reminder of the atrocities committed during World War II; and

**WHEREAS,** January 27, 2024 is recognized globally as International Holocaust Remembrance Day; and

**WHEREAS**, the day marks the anniversary of the liberation of Aushwitz-Birkenau, and honors the memory of the six million Jewish victims of the Holocaust and the millions of other victims of Nazism to ensure the horrors of the Holocaust are never forgotten or repeated; and

**WHEREAS,** citizens, schools, businesses, and community organizations are encouraged to observe these days with activities, events, and educational programs that promote racial healing, understanding, and remembrance of the Holocaust; and

**WHEREAS**, Dane County urges residents to reflect on the principles of tolerance, diversity, inclusion, and belonging, and to work toward creating a society where all individuals are treated with respect and dignity.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Dane County Board of Supervisors officially recognizes January 16, 2024 as the National Day of Racial Healing and January 27, 2024 as International Holocaust Remembrance Day, and expresses its commitment to fostering a culture of empathy, compassion, and unity recognizing the significance of these observances in the ongoing pursuit of a more just and harmonious society.

Signed and sealed before me this day of, 2024.	Patrick Miles, Chair Dane County Board of Supervisor
Scott McDonell, Dane County Clerk	-