**2023 RES-297** 

## A DEDICATED SITE AND POLICY FOR FLYING THE HO-CHUNK FLAG AT THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING

 The County of Dane conducts daily operations on land now known and recognized as Dane County, Wisconsin. This land is also the ancestral, traditional, and contemporary land of the Ho-Chunk, Sauk, and Kickapoo nations, where Indigenous people and cultures flourished and established sustainable ways of living based on cooperation among neighbors and respect for the land and for all living creatures.

 The Dane County Board acknowledges its gratitude to the native people of this hemisphere and this region on behalf of all Dane County residents, in recognition of their care for this land, their cultures and ways of being, and their continuing vibrancy and contributions to our civic life in Dane County and beyond. The Board acknowledges its responsibility and reasserts its commitment to oppose the systematic racism toward Indigenous people in the United States and to partner and collaborate with tribal governments and peoples to accomplish this commitment.

The Dane County Board wants to honor the land and the native people of this region, and reaffirms and acknowledges its commitment and dedication to opposing systemic racism towards Indigenous people by perpetually flying the Ho-Chunk flag in front of the City-County Building.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Ho-Chunk flag, with the consent of the Ho-Chunk Nation, shall be flown perpetually and directly underneath the United States flag on the flagpole located outside the entry to the City-County Building.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Ho-Chunk flag shall be flown at half-staff whenever the State of Wisconsin flies its flag at half-staff.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that this resolution shall be submitted to the City-County Liaison Committee (CCLC) so that the CCLC can consider updating Section 5.3 of the City-County building rules to reflect the changes outlined above.