2023 RES-055 RECOGNIZING MAY 30, 2023 AS WORLD MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS DAY

WHEREAS, May 30th is an important day for people with Multiple Sclerosis (MS) and their families, as it is recognized as World MS Day, a day dedicated to raising awareness of the disease and supporting those affected by it; and

WHEREAS, MS is a chronic disease of the central nervous system affecting more than 2.3 million people worldwide; and

WHEREAS, MS is a highly unpredictable disease that can cause a range of symptoms, including fatigue, cognitive impairment, vision loss, and mobility issues; and

WHEREAS, people living with MS often rely on assistive technologies, such as computers, to help manage their symptoms and maintain their independence; and

WHEREAS, the National MS Society cautions people with MS from disclosing their diagnosis to employers as any decision one may make today has immediate and long-term implications for their current and future employment and it is recommended to weigh the options carefully before making a decision to disclose as once the information is given, it can never be taken back; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative governments, health care organizations, and the private sector continue to invest in research, treatments, and technologies that can improve the lives of people with MS and help us move closer to a world free of this disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors recognizes May 30th as Word MS Day.

Patrick Miles, Chair Dane County Board of Supervisor

Signed and sealed before me this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Scott McDonell, Dane County Clerk