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**RESOLUTION #**

**Resolution to: Support Operation Green Light for Veterans**

Resolution offered by the ADRC and Veteran's Service Office Committee  
Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Sauk County, Wisconsin:

**BACKGROUND:** Encouragement to citizens to recognize and honor veterans by displaying a green light in a window of their place of business or residence for a declared amount of time.

WHEREAS, the residents of Sauk County have great respect, admiration, and the utmost gratitude for all of the men and women who have selflessly served our country and this community in the Armed Forces. The contributions and sacrifices of the men and women who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in maintaining the freedoms and way of life enjoyed by our citizens, and

WHEREAS, Sauk County seeks to honor these individuals who have paid the high price for freedom by placing themselves in harm's way for the good of all. Veterans continue to serve our community in the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, religious groups, civil service, and by functioning as County Veteran Service Officers in 29 states to help fellow former service members access more than \$52 billion in federal health, disability and compensation benefits each year; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 200,000 service members transition to civilian communities annually. An estimated 20 percent increase of service members will transition to civilian life in the near future. Studies indicate that 44-72 percent of service members experience high levels of stress during transition from military to civilian life. Active Military Service Members transitioning from military service are at a high risk for suicide during their first year after military service. The National Association of Counties encourages all counties, parishes and boroughs to recognize Operation Green Light for Veterans; and

WHEREAS, The Sauk County appreciates the sacrifices of our United State Military Personnel and believes specific recognition should be granted; therefore be it

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, with designation as a Green Light for Veterans County, Sauk County hereby declares from October through Veterans Day, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, a time to salute and honor the service and sacrifice of our men and women in uniform transitioning from Active Service;

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that in observance of Operation Green Light, Sauk County encourages its citizens in patriotic tradition to recognize the importance of honoring all those who made immeasurable sacrifices to preserve freedom by displaying a green light in a window of their place of business or residence.

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the ADRC and Veteran's Service Office Committee, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022

Consent Agenda Item: [ ] YES [ X ] NO

Fiscal Impact: [ x ] None [ ] Budgeted Expenditure [ ] Not Budgeted

Vote Required: Majority = \_\_\_\_\_ 2/3 Majority = \_\_\_\_\_ 3/4 Majority = \_\_\_\_\_

The County Board has the legal authority to adopt: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ as reviewed by the Corporation Counsel, \_\_\_\_\_, Date:

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Supervisor Dennis Polivka

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Supervisor Thomas Dorner

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Supervisor William Stehling

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