

RESOLUTION No. _____ - 14

**COMMEMORATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF WISCONSIN
4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, Thomas L. Bewick was appointed Wisconsin's first State Leader of Boys' and Girls' 4-H Club Work with the new Cooperative Extension Service in July 1914 and organized the first 4-H club under Cooperative Extension in Walworth County in October 1914, and

WHEREAS, the first Sauk County 4-H club was organized in the South Lime Ridge area by Dr. Walter L. Bible and Ed Dargel in the late 1920's, and

WHEREAS, 2014 marks the 100th anniversary of this unique partnership between the counties of the state, the University of Wisconsin-Extension and Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development, and

WHEREAS, this partnership of University of Wisconsin campuses, the University of Wisconsin-Extension and county-based 4-H Youth Development programs embodies the true meaning of the "Wisconsin Idea" – that the resources of the university shall be extended to the people of the state where they live and work, and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development's purpose is to help youth learn leadership, citizenship and life skills, develop new skills, become leaders and help shape their communities, and

WHEREAS, there are over 480 youth actively participating in the Sauk County 4-H program as members of fourteen different 4-H clubs led by over 90 adult volunteer leaders, and

WHEREAS, the vitality of today's Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development program as well as 4-H's national reputation as the largest out-of-school educational organization can be credited to the men and women of vision who accepted the challenge in 1914 to help grow 100 years of Wisconsin leaders;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sauk County Board of Supervisors hereby commends Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development and its Sauk County 4-H Youth Development Extension educators for their leadership, cooperation and support, which allows the youth and families of Sauk County and all of Wisconsin to apply the research and knowledge of the University of Wisconsin to their lives, homes and communities and help build strong leaders for tomorrow;

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Sauk County Board encourages its members to work collaboratively with their Sauk County 4-H Youth Development educators and University of Wisconsin-Extension teams to commemorate and celebrate the 100-year anniversary

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sary of Wisconsin 4-H Youth Development, and encourages everyone to celebrate National 4-H Week, October 5-11, 2014.

For consideration by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors on September 16, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

SAUK COUNTY UW EXTENSION, ARTS & CULTURE COMMITTEE

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