

2 **RESOLUTION: Advocate Against the Use and Practice of Conversion Therapy to Minors**  
3 **Within Winnebago County**

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6 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

7 **WHEREAS**, the Human Rights Campaign has rated Oshkosh a 13 out of 100 in its 2016 Municipal Equality  
8 Index, which examines how inclusive state, county, and city laws, policies, and services are of the LGBTQ individuals  
9 who reside and work in Winnebago County; and

10 **WHEREAS**, conversion therapy is an archaic and immoral practice that is detrimental to the mental,  
11 emotional, and physical well being of LGBTQ individuals; and

12 **WHEREAS**, "conversion therapy" means any practice that seeks to change an individual's gender  
13 expression, gender identity, or sexual orientation, including efforts to change behaviors or to eliminate or reduce  
14 sexual or romantic attractions or feelings towards individuals of the same sex; and

15 **WHEREAS**, "conversion therapy" does not include counseling or therapy that provides acceptance, support,  
16 and understanding of the individual or the facilitation of an individual's coping, social support, and identity exploration  
17 and development, including sexual orientation-neutral interventions to prevent or address unlawful conduct or unsafe  
18 sexual practices, or counseling for an individual seeking to transition from one gender to another.

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20 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that Winnebago  
21 County advocates against the use of conversion therapy practices with an individual who is under 18 years of age in  
22 Winnebago County.

23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it supports the  
24 implementation of a ban against the use of conversion therapy with individuals under the age of 18 pursuant to  
25 amendments to State Statutes and Wisconsin Administrative Code rules.

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27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it directs the Winnebago  
28 County Clerk to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Office of Governor Scott Walker, to all legislators  
29 representing constituents within Winnebago County, and to the Wisconsin Counties Association.

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32 Respectfully submitted by:  
33 **AARON WOJCIECHOWSKI, District 16**  
34 **JULIE GORDON, District 17**

35 Vote Required for Passage: **Three-Quarters of Membership**

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37 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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40 Mark L Harris  
41 Winnebago County Executive