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	RESOLUTION:	Proclaim the Week of April 6-12, 2020, as National Public Health Week in Winnebago County	
6 7	TO THE WINNER	BAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:	
8	WHEREAS	3 the week of April 6-12, 2020, is National Public Health Week (''NPHW@25: Looking Back,	
9	Looking Forward"); and		
10	WHEREAS, the goal of celebrating the 25 th anniversary of National Public Health Week is to highlight some		
11	of the greatest public health successes while looking to the future to set goals and work to ensure equity; and		
12	WHEREAS	3 , since 1995 public health organizations have used National Public Health Week to educate the	
13	public, policymakers, and public health professionals on issues that are important to improving the public's health;		
14	and		
15	WHEREAS, U.S. life expectancy has decreased in recent years and the three-year drop represents the		
16	longest sustained decline in expected lifespan since the Great Recession; and		
17	WHEREAS, according to the National Academy of Medicine, despite being one of the wealthiest nations in		
18	the world, the U.S. ranks below many other economically prosperous and developing countries with respect to		
19	measures of health, including life expectancy, infant mortality, and maternal mortality rates; and		
20	WHEREAS	3 , there is a significant difference in health status, such as obesity, poor mental health, and drug	
21	use, among people living in rural areas compared to urban areas, and this variance increases because rural		
22	residents are often more likely to face social determinants that negatively impact health, such as poverty,		
23	transportation barri	iers, and lack of economic opportunity; and	
24	WHEREAS	S , public health professionals collaborate with partners that are outside of the health sector, such	
25	as city planners, transportation officials, education officials, and private sector businesses, recognizing that other		
26	sectors have an im	portant influence on health; and	
27	WHEREAS	3 , public health professionals help communities prevent, prepare for, withstand, and recover from	
28	the impact of a full	range of health threats, including disease outbreaks such as measles, natural disasters, and	
29	disasters caused b	y human activity; and	
30	WHEREAS	S , public health action, together with scientific and technological advances, has played a major role	
31	in reducing and in s	some cases eliminating the spread of infectious disease, and in establishing today's disease	
32	surveillance and control systems; and		
33	WHEREAS	S , vaccination is one of the most significant public health achievements in history and has resulted	
34	in substantial declines in cases, hospitalizations, deaths, and health care costs associated with vaccine-preventable		
35	diseases; and		
36	WHEREAS	3 , 60 percent of Americans live with a preventable chronic disease, and health risks such as	
37	alcoholism, obesity	, and tobacco use are the primary reasons for 7 of every 10 deaths annually in the U.S.; and	
38	WHEREAS	3 , more women die from pregnancy-related deaths in the United States than any other developed	
39	country, and an estimated 60 percent of such maternal deaths are preventable; and		
40	WHEREAS	S , drug overdoses more than tripled from 1999 to 2016 and have become the leading cause of	

41 death in the United States, with an average of 130 people dying every day; and

42	WHEREAS, from 2014 to 2018 in Wisconsin, there was a 272% increase in e-cigarette usage among middle		
43	school students and a 154% increase among high school students; and in 2018, 29% of Winnebago County high		
44	school students reported using an electronic vapor product in the past month, compared to 21% in 2016; and		
45	WHEREAS, the value of a strong public health system is in the air we breathe, the water we drink, the food		
46	we eat, and the places where we all live, learn, work, worship, and play; and		
47	WHEREAS, each 10 percent increase in local public health spending contributes to a 6.9 percent decrease		
48	in infant deaths, a 3.2 percent decrease in deaths related to cardiovascular disease, a 1.4 percent decrease in		
49	deaths due to diabetes, and a 1.1 percent decrease in cancer-related deaths; and		
50	WHEREAS, efforts to adequately support public health and prevention can continue to transform a health		
51	system focused on treating illness to a health system focused on preventing disease and promoting wellness.		
52 53	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby		
54	proclaims the week of April 6-12, 2020, as National Public Health Week 2020 in Winnebago County and calls upon		
55	the citizens of Winnebago County to observe this week by helping our families, friends, neighbors, co-workers, and		
56	leaders better understand the value of public health.		
57 58 59	<i>Fiscal Impact</i> : None		
60	Respectfully submitted by:		
61	MICHAEL NORTON, District 20		
62	Vote Required for Passage: Majority of Those Present		
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64	Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this day of, 2020.		
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67 68	Mark L Harris Winnebago County Executive		