RESOLUTION 8-1-22

Resolution Designating August as "Green County Breastfeeding Month"

WHEREAS, human milk feeding is the biological norm for infant feeding and a proven primary prevention strategy that builds a foundation for life-long health and wellness;

WHEREAS, all major medical authorities recommend exclusive human milk feeding for the first six months of life, with continued human milk feeding for as long as mutually desired by mother and child for two years or beyond;

WHEREAS, the consistent and well-documented health, economic, and environmental benefits of human milk feeding show that this is an investment that will continue to produce measurable dividends across the country and many times over for families, employers, and the government.

WHEREAS, there are substantial racial and ethnic disparities in access to lactation support resulting in reduced breastfeeding rates and an associated increase in risk for a variety of negative health outcomes;

WHEREAS, National Breastfeeding Month and World Breastfeeding Week provide important opportunities to address barriers to human milk feeding faced by families across the United States and around the world;

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services reports that among infants born in 2018, 2019 and 2020, 85 percent of infants in Green County were ever breastfed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Green County Board of Supervisors, in legal session assembled, that the Board:

- (1) designates August as "Breastfeeding Month"; and
- (2) supports the goals of National Breastfeeding Month, World Breastfeeding Week, Indigenous Milk Medicine Week, Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander Breastfeeding Week, and Black Breastfeeding Week; and
- (3) supports policies and funding to ensure that all lactating parents can access a full range of appropriate support from child care and health care institutions, health care insurers, employers, researchers, and government entities.

SIGNED: HEALTH COMMITTEE Ment July Japan Barb Kratiger, Chair	Joan Winn Rufe Sucht
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	elerk in and for said County, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing a 8-1-22 adopted by the Board of Supervisors on August 16, 2022.
Dated at Monroe, Wisconsin th	is 16th day of August, 2022.

Arianna L. Voegeli, Green County Clerk

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