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3 **RESOLUTION: Amend Rules 11.6 and 9.15 of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors**
4 **to Require the Physical Presence of Supervisors in the Officially**
5 **Designated County Board/Committee Meeting Physical Space to Cast**
6 **Votes**

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

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10 **WHEREAS**, Rule 11.6 of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors currently reads "All votes cast shall be
11 cast only if the Supervisor is present at his or her desk, unless the chair of the board or committee has designated that
12 the use of a remote session is permitted. If a remote option is permitted, the supervisor(s) attending remotely must have
13 a camera and microphone on and must be in the visible range of the camera and auditory range of the microphone; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Rule 9.15 of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors currently reads "Remote Option: A
15 remote option allows supervisors to attend meetings remotely. The remote option requires the use of a device,
16 application, or combination thereof. The remote option grants supervisor(s) the ability to attend a board or committee
17 meeting as a regular voting member. The remote option requires that the public have equivalent access to remote
18 board member(s), that they would have had if said board member(s) was/were in physical attendance. The remote
19 option must allow the chair to mute all remote attendees and must allow supervisors the ability to identify themselves
20 wanting to speak during times that they have the privilege of speaking. Utilization of a remote option requires that
21 the chair or vice chair of the board or committee be physical present at a location that would be open to the public;
22 and

23 **WHEREAS**, Rules 11.6 and 9.15 in their current form have created significant controversy; and

24 **WHEREAS**, Rule 11.6 of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors shall read "All votes cast shall be cast
25 only if the Supervisor is present at his or her desk in the officially designated county board/committee physical meeting
26 space; and

27 **WHEREAS**, Rule 9.15 of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors shall read "Remote Option: A remote
28 option allows supervisors to attend meetings remotely. The remote option requires the use of a device, application,
29 or combination thereof. ~~The remote option grants supervisor(s) the ability to attend a board or committee meeting as~~
30 ~~a regular voting member.~~ The remote option requires that the public have equivalent access to remote board
31 member(s), that they would have had if said board member(s) was/were in physical attendance. The remote option
32 must allow the chair to mute all remote attendees and must allow supervisors the ability to identify themselves
33 wanting to speak during times that they have the privilege of speaking. Utilization of a remote option requires that
34 the chair or vice chair of the board or committee be physical present at a location that would be open to the public.

35 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby
36 amends Rules 11.6 and 9.15 of the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors to Require the Physical Presence of
37 Supervisors in the Officially Designated County Board/Committee Meeting Physical Space to Cast Votes.

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39 Respectfully submitted by:

40 **SUPERVISOR TOM EGAN, DISTRICT 33**

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42 Vote Required for Passage: **Two-Thirds of Membership Present**

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44 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this ____ day of _____, 2022.

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Jonathan D. Doemel
Winnebago County Executive