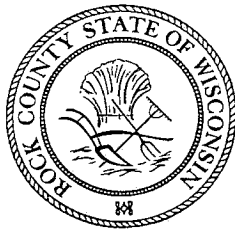


RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Katherine Luster  
INITIATED BY



Penny Nevicosi  
DRAFTED BY

Human Service Board  
SUBMITTED BY

June 2, 2020  
DATE DRAFTED

**TO RECOGNIZE LINDA GRAF**

1 **WHEREAS**, Linda Graf has served the citizens of Rock County for twenty-seven (27) years as a  
2 dedicated and valued employee of Rock County; and,

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4 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Graf began her career on September 27, 1993 with Rock County as a Master's Level  
5 Social Worker doing Triage to support Juvenile Justice and Child Protective Services with the Human  
6 Services Department. As a Triage worker, Ms. Graf conducted comprehensive assessments with Rock  
7 County youth and families in order to provide recommendations related to mental health services, court  
8 intervention and various community supports. She served as the gatekeeper to the system and ensured  
9 that youth and families got linked with the services they needed; and,

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11 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Graf began as a Corrective Thinking program coordinator with Rock County Human  
12 Services on October 5, 1998, further serving youth and providing them an avenue to make positive  
13 choices and change. She designed and implemented an array of groups utilizing her knowledge and  
14 expertise of the Corrective Thinking curriculum. Ms. Graf was a leader in this initiative, helping to  
15 train and mentor other professionals in the model. She was dedicated to helping youth build skills and  
16 adjust their thought patterns and was skilled at interacting with youth in a group setting; and,

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18 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Graf transitioned to a Juvenile Justice Specialist with Rock County Human Services  
19 on January 1, 2002, where she served in a couple of roles. Initially Ms. Graf was responsible for  
20 completing juvenile court intakes, much like her previous role in Triage, where she performed an  
21 assessment and made recommendations about juvenile court intervention. Ms. Graf later managed a  
22 caseload of youth formally involved with the juvenile justice system. For both of these roles, Ms. Graf  
23 demonstrated a passion for serving and advocating for youth and vulnerable populations. Ms. Graf has  
24 developed strong partnerships with the school district, mental health providers and community  
25 stakeholders. She has been asked to serve on a variety of committees and boards. Ms. Graf has  
26 supervised and mentored student interns; and,

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28 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Graf has shown a variety of skills and knowledge which assisted her in navigating  
29 the mental health and juvenile justice programs throughout her twenty-seven (27) year career at Rock  
30 County Human Services. She has demonstrated excellent engagement skills with the countless number  
31 of youth and families she has served in Rock County. She has provided quality assessment and case  
32 management when families needed it most. She has been a valued member of the team, often tackling  
33 complex cases and supporting team members. She has also advocated for co-workers through her years  
34 of key leadership in AMHS. Ms. Graf's impact on the Rock County workforce and community has  
35 been significant. Her time, energy, and talent will be missed; and,

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37 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Graf has decided to retire from Rock County after 27 years of dedicated service on  
38 July 1, 2020; and,

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40 **WHEREAS**, Ms. Graf has proven herself to be a compassionate, caring and committed employee,  
41 always advocating for the youth, families and staff in the many areas she has served.

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43 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly  
44 assembled this *24th* day of *Sept.* does hereby recognize Linda Graf for her 27 years of service  
45 and extend best wishes to her in her future endeavors.

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