

## RESOLUTION

### ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Brian Knudson and Kate Luster  
INITIATED BY



5/22/2023  
DATE DRAFTED

#### Recognizing World Elder Abuse Awareness

**WHEREAS**, every year an estimated five million or one in ten older Americans are victims of elder abuse, neglect or exploitation; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Rock County Adult Protective Services Unit assisted 311 elders in 2022 who were victims of one or more types of abuse; and,

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization at the United Nations launched "World Elder Abuse Awareness Day" on June 15, 2006 in an effort to unite communities around the world to promote a better understanding of abuse and neglect of older persons; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Adult Protective Services Unit has formed partnerships with multiple agencies in Rock County to provide education about Elder Abuse, advocate on behalf of those abused, and to assist in the protection of our elders; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Rock County Board of Supervisors, representing the citizens of Rock County, wishes to recognize the significance of Elder Abuse in our county and to encourage and support the efforts of the Adult Protective Services Unit.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly assembled this 22nd day of June 2023, does hereby recognize June 15, 2023 as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

#### **Committee Action**

##### Human Services Board

Human Services Board recommended this resolution for approval by a unanimous voice vote.