RESOLUTION

ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

<u>Katherine Luster and Brian Knudson</u> INITIATED BY



 $\frac{1/16/2024}{\text{DATE DRAFTED}}$

Recognizing Sherry Gensler

WHEREAS, Sherry Gensler has served the citizens of Rock County for over forty-three (43) years as a dedicated and valued employee of Rock County; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Gensler began employment with Rock County on September 29, 1980, as a medical transcriber in the Rock County Medical Records Department. She continued in this capacity until 1982 when she transitioned to an Administrative Assistant servicing several departments, including the Residential Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse program, Janesville Community Support Program, the Community Services Center, the Janesville Counseling Center & the Adolescent Day Services Program. From 1992 until 1994, she worked as a Childcare Worker at the Rock County Youth Home and Juvenile Detention Center. In 1994, Sherry became a Registered Nurse and went on to work at Rock Haven until 1999. From 1999 until 2004, Sherry worked as an Infection Control Practitioner & Educator at the Health Care Center & Rock Haven. Sherry worked as a Registered Nurse at the Rock County Juvenile Detention Center & the Janesville Community Support Program from 2004-2010. In 2010, Sherry continued working solely as a Registered Nurse for the Janesville Community Support Program, providing the highest quality of care and advocacy for Rock County residents with severe and persistent mental illness. The fast-paced nature of CSP work, matched perfectly with Ms. Gensler's ability to consistently think "two-steps ahead."

WHEREAS, throughout her service to Rock County, Ms. Gensler has been a strong advocate for those we serve, and a mentor for incoming staff. She is reliable, hardworking and has consistently gone above and beyond what has been required of her. Ms. Gensler has made it her mission to provide the highest quality of care, training staff on safety regarding proper medication administration. She has consistently put others first, coming in on a blizzardly day in 2019 when the County shut down non-essential operations for the day, to get medication out to the CSP clients. In addition to all her nursing duties, she has worn the hat of "plumber," helping a client unclog their toilet and saving the client money from their already limited budget. She has entered bed bug infested homes, and assisted clients through the process of having the bugs eliminated. Ms. Gensler has seen clients through much of their lifespan and has visited some of them in the hours before their passing; and,

WHEREAS, Ms. Gensler has seen it all and done it all through her time with Rock County, and it truly is impossible to summarize the impact that she has had on both the citizens of Rock County & the staff of Rock County HSD; and,

WHEREAS, the Rock County Board of Supervisors, representing the citizens of Rock County, wishes to recognize Sherry Gensler for her dedication and contribution to the citizens of Rock County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors, duly assembled this <u>25th</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2024, does hereby recognize Sherry Gensler for her forty-three (43) years of service and extend best wishes to her in her future endeavors

Committee Action

Human Services Board

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

County Board Staff Committee

County Board Staff Committee recommended this resolution for approval by a unanimous voice vote. Supervisor Brien was absent.

