

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 19 (2019/20)

Re: **Responding to Executive Order 13888 - Refugee Resettlement in Sheboygan County**

WHEREAS, Sheboygan County has a long history of participating in refugee resettlement with widespread community support for that participation, and

WHEREAS, refugee resettlement has significantly enriched our community, state, and nation, both culturally and economically, and

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2019, the President of the United States issued an Executive Order directing that within ninety (90) days of the date of the Order, the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall resettle refugees only in areas where both state and local governments consent in writing to the resettlement of refugees in their respective areas, and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has consented to resettlement, and Sheboygan County is also being requested to so consent, and

WHEREAS, authorizing the County Board Chairperson to sign a letter consenting to continued refugee resettlement in no way represents an opinion by the County Board or any County Official regarding the validity of Executive Order 13888 as a lawful exercise of Presidential authority in light of federal legislation governing refugee resettlement, specifically Title 8, Chapter 12, Subchapter IV of the United States Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board Chairperson is hereby authorized to consent to continued refugee resettlement in Sheboygan County pursuant to the terms of Executive Order 13888 and to sign a letter expressing such consent, a copy of which is on file in the County Clerk's office.

Respectfully submitted this 17th day of December, 2019

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Opposed to Introduction:

Adopted 12/17/2019