SHEBOYGAN COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. <u>01</u> (2011/12)

Re: Supporting the Wisconsin Idea Partnership Proposal

WHEREAS, the Sheboygan County Board values the joint resources and partnerships of the University of Wisconsin Extension Cooperative Extension, Sheboygan County, as well as the resources of the University of Wisconsin Sheboygan and the entire UW System, and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Idea Partnership keeps the UW System together and focuses on access, affordability, and accountability, and

WHEREAS, UW Extension Cooperative Extension highly values its partnership with UW-Madison, particularly in the college of Agriculture and Life Sciences and the School of Human Ecology, and

WHEREAS, fragmentation of the UW System will diminish the ability of UW Sheboygan and the UW-Extension Cooperative Extension to make the vast stores of knowledge and expertise possessed by the UW System faculty and staff through partnerships with 26 UW System campuses, 72 Wisconsin counties, three tribal governments, and other public and private organizations, and

WHEREAS, fragmentation of the UW System will jeopardize the shared research and outreach activities between UW-Madison and other parts of the UW System and will eliminate a shared set of policies and procedures that aid in research and teaching collaborations between the institutions that make it easier for information and research to be disseminated and partnerships to take hold; and

WHEREAS, UW Sheboygan and UW-Extension Cooperative Extension values increased flexibility within the UW System in the areas of human resources, procurement, financial management, construction accountability, and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Sheboygan County Board endorses the Wisconsin Idea Partnership as proposed by the UW System and its Board of Regents effective May 17, 2011.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is directed to forward copies of the herein Resolution to the Governor, state and federal legislative representatives having constituencies in Sheboygan County, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and such other public officials as the Clerk may deem appropriate.

Respectfully submitted this 19th day of April, 2011.

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