

# Legislation Committee Agenda Kenosha County Administration Building 2nd Floor Auditor's Room May 16, 2017, Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.

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- 1. Call To Order
- 2. Citizen Comments
- 3. Chairperson Comments
- 4. Supervisor Comments
- 5. Communications
- 6. Approval Of Minutes
- 7. Resolution Calling On The Wisconsin State Legislature To Allocate Funds That Would Increase The Number Of Psychiatrists And Psychiatric Advanced Nurse Practitioners Practicing In Wisconsin

Documents:

#### RESOLUTION PSYCHIATRISTS LEGISLATION.PDF

8. Resolution Calling On The Wisconsin State Legislature To Retain Funding For Aging And Disability Resource Centers' Dementia Care Specialists

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#### RESOLUTION DEMENTIA CARE SPECIALISTS.PDF

9. A Resolution In Support Of The Preservation Of Tax-Exempt Financing

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#### RES PRESERV TAX EXEMP.PDF

10. A Resolution In Support Of The Preservation Of Mortgage Interest And Property Tax Deductions

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- 11. Other Matters As May Be Appropriately Brought Before The Committee
- 12. Adjourn

There may be a quorum of other Committees of the County Board.

### **KENOSHA COUNTY**

### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

RESOLUTION NO.
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Subject: Resolution calling on the Wisconsin State Legislature to allocate funds that would increase the number of psychiatrists and psychiatric advanced nurse practitioners practicing in						
Wisconsin.						
Original ⊠ Corrected □	2nd Correction □ Resubmitted □					
Date Submitted: May 3, 2017	Date Resubmitted:					
Submitted By: Jeff Gentz, Supervisor Daniel Esposito, Supervisor	Human Services and Legislative Committees					
Fiscal Note Attached □	Legal Note Attached □					
Prepared By: LaVerne Jaros	Signature:					
WHEREAS, there is a nationwide shortage of psychiatrists available to treat persons with mental illness; and						
WHEREAS, the ratio of population to from 1,620:1 compared to an overall ratio in W	mental health providers in Kenosha County has grown /isconsin of 600:1; and					
WHEREAS, long waits for psychiatric care can result in exacerbation of mental health conditions and greater risk for hospitalization;						
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors does hereby urge the Wisconsin State Legislature to allocate funds to increase the number of psychiatric residents and Advanced Nurse Practitioners in training; and						
<b>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED</b> that funds should be allocated to provide school loan forgiveness for psychiatrists and APNPs who agree to practice in counties with insufficient mental health providers; and						
<b>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED</b> that surplus Medicaid funds should be allocated toward higher Medicaid rates for psychiatry and therapy; and						
<b>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED</b> that the Kenosha County Clerk is instructed to send a copy of this resolution to Kenosha County's legislators in the Assembly and Senate.						
Dated at Kenosha County, Wisconsin, this day of, 2017						
Respectfully submitted:  Jeffrey Gentz						
Daniel Esposito						

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE:	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	Excused
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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Excused</u>
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April 24, 2017

Jeffrey A. Gentz County Board Supervisor, District 3 County Administration Building 1010 56<sup>th</sup> Street Kenosha, WI 531430

Supervisor Gentz,

On behalf of NAMI Kenosha County, I fully support the recent resolution regarding the need for more psychiatrists in our community. We receive countless calls from folks searchiing for a good psychiatrist. We fully support any effort to expand the number of mental health professionals in Kenosha County.

I would also like to mention that the long awaited Martha J. Hollowell Scholarship is now accepting applications due May 15, 2017 to start classes in the Fall of 2017. The Martha Hollowell Scholarship Foundation will award two \$7,500 Scholarships annually to two deserving applicants who have already completed the requisites needed for their Advanced Degree based on the following list of qualifications with the goal of pursuing a:

Master degree in Social Work
Master or Doctoral Degree in Psychology
Advanced Practice Psychiatrict Nurse Practioner
Physician's Assistant with Psychiatry Specialty
Doctor of Medicine specializing in Psychiatry

The applicant must also demonstrate a commitment to practicing in the Kenosha community for a minimum of 2 to 5 years, to serve individuals living with severe and persistent mental health issues.

Thank you for your continued support and please let me know if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Jack Rose, Co-President NAMI Kenosha County

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### KENOSHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### RESOLUTION NO.\_\_\_\_

Subject: Resolution calling on the Wisconsin State Legislature to retain funding for Aging and Disability Resource Centers' Dementia Care Specialists.								
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Prepared By: LaVerne Jaros	Sigr	nature:	Veine S	pros				
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<b>WHEREAS</b> , there are approximately 2,260 persons in Kenosha County who have dementia and that number is expected to grow to over 4,000 by 2030; and								
WHEREAS, Dementia Care Specialists at the Aging and Disability Resource Centers help individuals with dementia remain in the community longer, delay the need for long term care and reduce family stress; and								
WHEREAS, each day that an individual remains in the community and outside of a care facility saves taxpayers an estimated \$161 per day or \$58,765 annually; and								
WHEREAS, Kenosha County's Dementia Care Specialist provided consultation and assistance for over 110 families last year as well as community education about dementia; and								
WHEREAS, state funding for the D	ementia (	Care Spe	ecialists is	scheduled t	o end in 2017;			
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RES does hereby urge the Wisconsin State Le for continuation of the Dementia Specialist	gislature	to alloca	Kenosha ite funds i	County Boan the 2017-	ard of Supervisors 2018 state budget			
<b>FURTHER</b> that the Kenosha Cour Kenosha County's legislators in the Assem	nty Clerk bly and S	is instrud enate.	cted to ser	nd a copy o	f this resolution to			
Dated at Kenosha County, Wisconsin, this	day d	of	, 2017					
HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE:	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	<u>Abstain</u>	Excused				
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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:		<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	Excused
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Boyd Frederick, Chair					
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## **County of Kenosha**

# **Board of Supervisors**

Resolution No. \_\_\_\_

# A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PRESERVATION OF TAX-EXEMPT FINANCING

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Date Submitted:	Da	te resubmitted:		
Submitted by: Le	gislative and Finance/Admi	inistration Committees		
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Prepared By: Su	upervisor Boyd Frederick			

#### A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PRESERVATION OF TAX-EXEMPT FINANCING

WHEREAS, tax-exempt municipal bonds are the primary means by which state and local governments finance three quarters of the critical infrastructure of our nation, including roads, bridges, hospitals, schools, and utility systems; and

WHEREAS, through the tax exemption, the federal government continues to provide critical support for the federal, state and local partnership that develops and maintains essential infrastructure, which it cannot practically replicate by other means; and

WHEREAS, the municipal tax exemption has enabled state and local governments to finance more than \$1.65 trillion in infrastructure investment over the last decade; and

WHEREAS, this tax exemption is part of a more than century-long system of reciprocal immunity under which owners of federal bonds are, in turn, not required to pay state and local income tax on the interest they receive from federal bonds; and

WHEREAS, Kenosha County and Kenosha County taxpayers have benefited from this tax exemption through substantial savings on the interest cost of borrowed money; and

WHEREAS, tax exempt bonds benefit state and local governments who need the support of investors to finance critical infrastructure, taxpayers across the country who depend on this infrastructure for reliable transportation systems, schools, public health facilities, energy, clean water and affordable housing, the federal government, who gets quite a bargain on their partnership with state and local R

government to provide the nation's infrastructure through the exemption; and investors who buy bonds for many reasons, including the safe nature of these financial products; and

WHEREAS, municipal bonds are the second safest investment, aside from U.S. Treasuries, with state and local governments having nearly a zero default rate; and

WHEREAS, 72.4 percent of the total outstanding muni debt is held by individual investors, either directly or through mutual funds and money market funds (Source - 2010 Thomson Reuters); and

WHEREAS, Congress and the President have proposed legislation to reduce or repeal the tax exemption on municipal bonds; and

WHEREAS, these proposals to reduce or repeal the tax exemption would have severely detrimental impacts on national infrastructure development and the municipal market, raising costs for state and local borrowers and creating uncertainty for investors;

WHEREAS, if the proposal to cap the exemption on municipal bonds at 28 percent had been in place over the last 10 years it would have cost state and local governments an additional \$173 billion in interest costs; and

WHEREAS, total repeal of the exemption over the last decade would have cost state and local governments over \$495 billion in additional interest costs; and

WHEREAS, the municipal tax exemption has a long history of success, having been maintained through two world wars and the Great Depression, as well as the recent Great Recession, and it continues to finance the majority of our nation's infrastructure needs for state and local governments of all sizes when no other source exists to do so; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors opposes any efforts by Congress and the White House to reduce or repeal the federal tax exemption on interest earned from municipal bonds; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that we oppose any action that would reduce or repeal the exemption on tax-exempt bond interest, and affirm that there should be no legislative action to apply any changes retroactively to current outstanding bonds; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to our Congressional Representatives and key members of the Administration.

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Approved by:				
Legislative Committee:				
	Aye	<u>Nay</u>	Abstain	Excused
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Dayvin Hallmon, Vice-Chair				
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Erin Decker		0		
John Franco	0			
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Michael Skalitzky				

### Finance and Administration Committee

	<u>Aye</u>	Nay	Abstain	Excused
Terry Rose, Chair	*			
Ronald Frederick, Vice-Chair	X			
Daniel Esposito,	X			
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Rick Dodge	9			
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# **County of Kenosha**

### **Board of Supervisors**

Resolution No.

### A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PRESERVATION OF MORTGAGE INTEREST AND PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTIONS

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Prepared By: Supervi	isor Steve Bostrom	1		

WHEREAS, since its inception over a century ago, the United States income tax system has recognized the positive effects of homeownership for families, communities, and society by rewarding home buyers with tax benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, the result has been a home-owning society that is, in many respects, the envy of the world; and

WHEREAS, a kind of tax reform plan already being considered in Washington is inadvertently threatening to decimate or even wipe out the tax benefits of owning a home for 95 percent of American families by not allowing a property tax deduction; and

**WHEREAS**, the tax incentive to buy a home has its first and largest effect on the first-time homebuyer; and

WHEREAS, having a strong and appropriate tax incentive to assist first-time buyers has been instrumental in getting millions of homeowners into their first house; and

WHEREAS, these tax incentives include the deductibility of both mortgage interest and property taxes; and

WHEREAS, losing the tax benefits of owning a home would have a significant and negative effect on the price of houses; and

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WHEREAS, the almost certain results from such proposals would be detrimental to the residents of Kenosha County and to their quality of life;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors opposes any efforts by Congress and the White House to reduce or repeal the federal tax deduction for state and local taxes paid; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that we oppose any action that would reduce or repeal the deduction for interest paid on mortgages; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to our Congressional Representatives and key members of the Administration.

Respectfully Sub	mitted,
Steve Bostrom	

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Approved by:				
Legislative Committee:				
	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	Abstain	Excused
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Dayvin Hallmon, Vice-Chair				
Andy Berg				
Erin Decker				
John Franco				
John Poole				
Michael Skalitzky				

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### Finance and Administration Committee

	Aye	<u>Nay</u>	Abstain	Excused
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Ronald Frederick, Vice-Chair	×			
Daniel Esposito	X	D		
Greg Retalaff	X			
Rick Dodge		0	О	
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