

## Resolution to Secure State Funding to

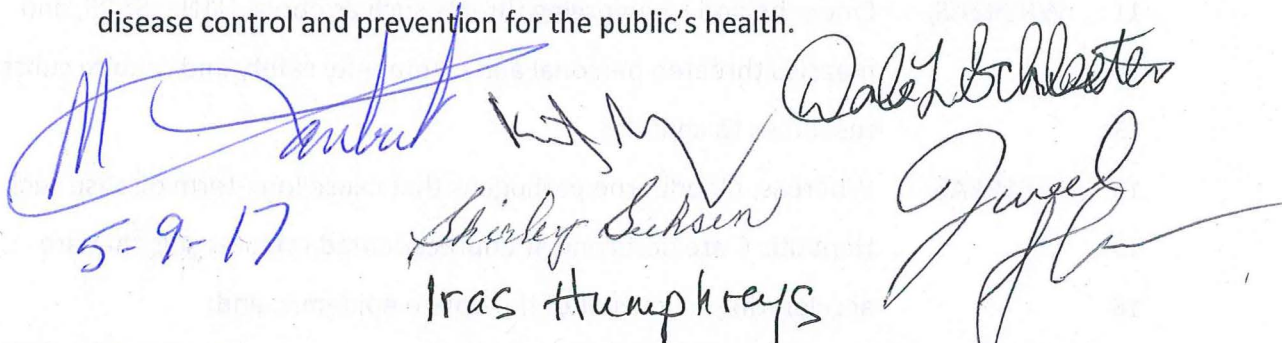
### Support Communicable Disease Control for Population Health

- 1   **WHEREAS,**   Wisconsin has no dedicated, stable federal and state funding sources for  
2                   communicable disease control and prevention efforts; and
- 3   **WHEREAS,**   A strong public health infrastructure is paramount to the health of all  
4                   citizens; and
- 5   **WHEREAS,**   Emerging and existing communicable diseases threaten health security,  
6                   economies, and quality of life for all; and
- 7   **WHEREAS,**   Communicable diseases such as ebola, H1N1, measles, HIV and AIDS,  
8                   tuberculosis, influenza, measles, syphilis, gonorrhea, rabies, hepatitis,  
9                   polio, and pertussis, can threaten the lives and well-being of Wisconsin  
10                  residents; and
- 11 **WHEREAS,**   Emerging and re-emerging threats such as ebola, H1N1, SARS, and  
12                  measles threaten personal and community safety and require substantial  
13                  resources to contain;
- 14 **WHEREAS,**   Whereas, bloodborne pathogens that cause long-term disease such as  
15                  Hepatitis C are occurring at unprecedented rates -- rates that are  
16                  accelerating as a result of the opiate epidemic, and;
- 17 **WHEREAS,**   Wisconsin local health department communicable disease programs  
18                  protect residents by investigating and controlling communicable diseases,  
19                  collecting data, educating the community about prevention and the  
20                  importance of immunizations, and caring for those affected by these  
21                  diseases; and
- 22 **WHEREAS,**   Public health departments have been successful in controlling  
23                  communicable diseases through case reporting and involvement of public  
24                  health staff in referral of exposed persons for screening and prevention  
25                  services; and

26 **WHEREAS,** Evidence in the scientific literature indicates that partner notification  
27 services are not adequately assured in the absence of specific public  
28 health staff involvement; and  
29 **WHEREAS,** Local health departments and the State of Wisconsin have demonstrated  
30 commitment, competence and success in assuring the confidentiality of  
31 persons with reported communicable disease for decades, including  
32 cases of AIDS; and  
33 **WHEREAS,** Local health departments have placed a high priority on communicable  
34 disease control; and  
35 **WHEREAS,** Communicable disease control is one of the ten essential functions of  
36 public health; now, therefore, be it  
37 **RESOLVED,** That the Sawyer County Health and Human Services Board urges the  
38 state legislature to develop and enact bipartisan support for funding of  
39 comprehensive, sustainable, effective and evidence based communicable  
40 disease control and prevention for the public's health.

Signed:

Date:

The signature block contains several handwritten signatures in blue ink. On the left, there is a large, stylized signature that appears to be 'M. D. ...'. Below it, the date '5-9-17' is written. To the right of the date, there are two more signatures: 'Shirley Siskin' and 'Iras Humphreys'. On the far right, there is a signature that appears to be 'Walter Schuster' and another signature below it that is partially obscured.

*Final endorsed resolution should be sent to the Wisconsin Association of Local Health Departments and Boards (WALHDAB) at [walhdab@badgerbay.co](mailto:walhdab@badgerbay.co), or 563 Carter Court, Suite B, Kimberly, WI 54136. Final endorsed resolution should also be sent to all state legislators whose constituents are within the jurisdiction. Resolution updated 10/17/16.doard*