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3 **RESOLUTION No. 2021-56**

4 **REQUESTING THE WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE REVISE CHAPTER 814 TO MAKE**  
5 **FILING FEES CONSISTENT BETWEEN THE CLERK OF COURT AND REGISTER**  
6 **IN PROBATE**

7 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 814 relates to court costs, fees and surcharges.  
8 Wisconsin Statutes section 814.66 applies to the fees charged by the Register in Probate. The  
9 Probate Court and Juvenile Court are responsible for case types that are not listed in Section  
10 814.66 or other statutes, with the result being that there are cases filed with Register in Probate  
11 for which there is no filing fee; and,  
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13 **WHEREAS**, under the statutes there are fees and costs that are collected by the Register  
14 in Probate that are different from the fees collected by the Clerk of Court for the same type of  
15 service. This often causes confusion to the public; and,  
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17 **WHEREAS**, the office of the Register in Probate and the Clerk of Court serve similar  
18 functions for the court, both offices are staffed with county employees, both offices utilize  
19 CCAP-provided computers and printers as well as county-provided copiers. There is no  
20 discernable difference in these two offices when it comes to copying and providing certificates;  
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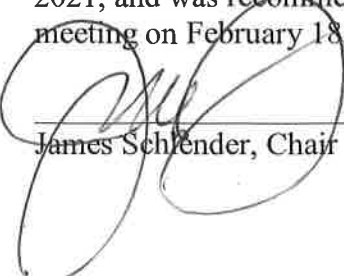
23 **WHEREAS**, it would benefit the public and the county for the State Legislature to revise  
24 the statutes so that fees charged for similar services in the Clerk of Court and the Register in  
25 Probate are consistent in both offices; and,  
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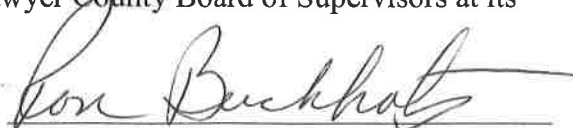
27 **WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin Register in Probate Association has commenced efforts to  
28 encourage the State Legislature to amend and revise the statutes to create consistency with the  
29 fees charged by the Clerk of Court and the Register in Probate.  
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31 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**; the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors supports  
32 the efforts of the Wisconsin Register in Probate Association in their efforts to encourage the  
33 Wisconsin Legislature Statutes to amend the related statutes to further consistency between the  
34 fee structures for these offices.  
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36 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution  
37 to Governor Tony Evers, the Wisconsin Counties Association, all members of the State  
38 Legislature and all Wisconsin Counties.  
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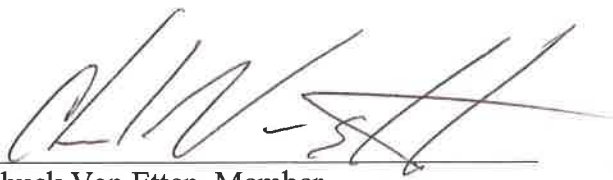
40 This Resolution was discussed by the Public Safety Committee at its meeting on February 4th,  
41 2021, and was recommended for approval by the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors at its  
42 meeting on February 18, 2021.  
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Dale Schleeter, Member

This Resolution is hereby adopted by the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021.

  
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Tweed Shuman,  
Sawyer County Board of Supervisors Chair

  
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Lynn Fitch, County Clerk