**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ - 2018**

**RESOLUTION TO CONDUCT COUNTYWIDE ADVISORY**

**REFERENDUM ON AMENDING UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO RECOGNIZE RIGHTS OF UNBORN PERSONS AND ON PASSAGE OF LEGISLATION PROHIBITING STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING OF ANY ORGANIZATION RECEIVING OR PROVIDING VALUABLE CONSIDERATION FOR ACQUISITION, RECEIPT OR TRANSFER OF FETAL TISSUE**

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| ***Background:*** The United States Declaration of Independence states: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.” Since the United States Supreme Court decided *Roe v. Wade*, more than 50 million potential Americans have been denied the very basic right to pursue life.   The federal government has laws banning the sale of human body parts, but some abortion clinics have engaged in this practice as a means of supplementing their business. Since coming to light in 2014, Congress has taken no action.   In order to determine whether the people of Sauk County support the unalienable Rights of the unborn, and denounce the desecrating practice of selling the body parts of aborted babies, the County Board will conduct a countywide advisory referendum, pursuant to Wis. Stat. 59.52(25), in the Fall Election on November 6, 2018. |
| **Fiscal Impact: [ X ] None [ ] Budgeted Expenditure [ ] Not Budgeted** |

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Sauk County Board of Supervisors, met in regular session, authorizes the following countywide advisory referendum be placed on the November 6, 2018 ballot:

The questions shall appear on the ballot as follows:

1. Should the Article XIV of the Constitution of the United State of America be amended to state (change highlighted in bold):

All persons born **or unborn,** or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

A **“yes”** vote indicates you agree with amending the Constitution.

A **“no”** vote indicates you disagree with amending the Constitution.

1. Should the Congress of the United States of America prohibit state and federal funding of any organization suspected of illegally selling baby parts?

A **“yes”** vote indicates you agree.

A **“no”** vote indicates you disagree.

For consideration by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors on July 17, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

## EXECUTIVE & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

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**PETER VEDRO, Chairperson WILLIAM HAMBRECHT**

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**Fiscal Note:** No fiscal impact.

**MIS Note:** No information systems impact.