

Resolution No. 5-0316

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF APRIL 11TH THROUGH APRIL 15TH
“WORKZONE SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK IN IOWA COUNTY IN 2016”**

WHEREAS in 1999 the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) partnered with the American Association of State and Highway officials (AASHTO) to create the National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week campaign, held annually in April prior to the construction season for much of the nation; and,

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin County Highway Association is asking all seventy-two (72) counties in the state to unite and kick-off “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” with a resolution and campaign to raise awareness for its’ workers and those of various highway contractors performing work for the counties; and,

WHEREAS, four (4) Wisconsin County Highway workers were killed in work zones in 2015 within the counties of Calumet, Lincoln, Shawano, and Winnebago; and,

WHEREAS, in the past few years Wisconsin work zones have averaged approximately 1,200 accidents with 15 fatalities annually per year to either drivers, passengers, workers, or pedestrians; and,

WHEREAS, through their enforcement activities and other participation, the Iowa County Sheriff’s Office, Wisconsin State Patrol, and the Iowa County Highway Department will work to make “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week a success; and,

WHEREAS, the County Sheriff’s Office is committed in 2016 to conduct enforcement activities and work jointly with the County Highway Department to make “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” a success in Iowa County; and,

WHEREAS, the Iowa County Highway Department and Sheriff’s Office have employees whose daily duties are to work within work zones and traffic; and,

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration has designated April 11 through April 15, 2016 as National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week with this year’s theme “Don’t Be That Driver!: Work on Safety. Get Home Safely. Every day.” which focuses on awareness to distracted driving activities in work zones,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Iowa County Board of Supervisors that the week of April 11th through April 15th, 2016 be designated as “Work Zone Safety Awareness Week” in Iowa County.

Offered by the Transportation Committee on March 4, 2016