

RESOLUTION NO. 31-596

**PARTICIPATION IN THE PROPOSED
SOUTHWEST WISCONSIN INTERNATIONAL TRADE, BUSINESS,
AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, INC. (ITBEC)**

WHEREAS, enormous potential exists for expanding economic development in Wisconsin; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need and desire for economic growth and development in Wisconsin which includes the expansion of foreign trade markets for Wisconsin goods and services, and exploration of business opportunities; and,

WHEREAS, the International Trade, Business, and Economic Development Council was created by the Wisconsin Counties Association to serve these needs and work toward increasing the economic vitality of Wisconsin; and,

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Counties Association has entered into a contract with the Wisconsin Department of Development (DOD) to create two additional International Trade, Business, and Economic Development Councils, one being in North Central Wisconsin and the other being in West Central Wisconsin, and that potential exists for additional ITBEC'S throughout the state; and,

WHEREAS, the goal of the ITBEC is to form public/private partnerships to promote economic development, expand international tourism, support trade and encourage economic growth throughout Wisconsin; and,

WHEREAS, the success of the Northwest ITBEC, since its inception two years ago, has been excellent; and,

WHEREAS, ITBEC strives to complement existing efforts of local and regional organizations dealing with trade, business and economic development, and promote regional and international efforts to market county resources; and,

WHEREAS, there are not initial membership costs to counties that desire to participate in these International Trade, Business, and Economic Development Councils.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Iowa County Board of Supervisors supports the County's participation in the proposed Southwest International Trade, Business, and Development Council (ITBEC). That should the Southwest International Trade, Business, and Development Council assess any type of costs against Iowa County for participation in said council, Iowa County can withdraw their participation or membership in the council.

Presented and recommended for passage on the 14 day of April, 1996, by the Land Conservation Committee of the Iowa County Board of Supervisors, Dodgeville, Wisconsin.

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