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CONGRESSMAN TOM TIFFANY RELATED TO AMENDING SECTION
412 OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT

COVER MEMO

TO: County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Ken Witt, County Administrator

DATE: March 12, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: Resolution Supporting the "CARE Act" Proposed by Congressman Tom Tiffany Related to Amending Section 412 of the Immigration and Nationality Act

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On March 5, 2024, the County Board voted to have a resolution drafted supporting the adoption of the CARE Act.



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1 **WHEREAS**, Congressman Tom Tiffany represents the 7th District of Wisconsin in the
2 House of Representatives, which includes St. Croix County; and
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4 **WHEREAS**, the Refugee Act of 1980, located at Title VI, Chapter 2 of the Immigration
5 and Nationality Act, created The Federal Refugee Resettlement Program to provide for the
6 effective resettlement of refugees; and
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8 **WHEREAS**, recently Congressman Tiffany proposed the Community Assent for
9 Refugee Entry Act, or the “CARE Act,” requesting an amendment to Section 412 of the
10 Immigration and Nationality Act located at 8 U.S.C. § 1522, which reads as follows:
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12 “(g) Limitation on Resettlement - Notwithstanding any other provision of this section,
13 for a fiscal year, the resettlement of any refugee may not be provided for -
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15 (1) in any State where the Governor of that State, or the State Legislature, has taken any
16 action formally disapproving of resettlement in that State: or
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18 (2) in any locality where the chief executive of that locality’s government, or the local
19 legislature, has taken any action formally disapproving of resettlement in that locality.”
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21 ; and
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23 **WHEREAS**, the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors recommends adoption of the
24 CARE Act to allow local government units to provide input on resettlement of refugees within
25 the county.
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27 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the St. Croix County Board of
28 Supervisors hereby supports the adoption of the CARE Act to provide a mechanism for state
29 and local government units to formally review the resettlement of refugees within their
30 jurisdiction.
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32 **FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED** that the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors directs
33 the County Clerk to send copies of this resolution to Congressman Tom Tiffany and the
34 Wisconsin Counties Association.

Legal – Fiscal – Administrative Approvals:

Legal Note:

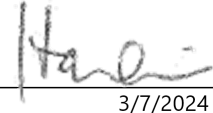
Fiscal Impact: Advisory resolution has no fiscal impact.


Heather M. Amos, Corporation Counsel

3/8/2024


Dustin Hawkins, Finance Director

3/7/2024


Ken Witt, County Administrator

3/8/2024

Vote Confirmation.

St. Croix County Board of Supervisors Action:

Roll Call - Vote Requirement – Majority of Supervisors Present

RESULT: ADOPTED [14 TO 5]

MOVER: Ryan Sherley, Supervisor

SECONDER: Mark Carlson, Supervisor

AYES: Lind, Anderson, Long, Adams, Berning, Ottino, Feidler, Ostness, Counter, Sherley, Carlson, Barcalow, VanSomeren, Ramberg

NAYS: Leaf, Koch, Hansen, Tellijohn, Swanepoel

This Resolution was Adopted by the St. Croix County Board of Supervisors on March 12, 2024

Christine Hines, County Clerk