

## RESOLUTION 21 - \_\_\_\_\_

A Resolution Approving Resolution Approving Collaboration Between The Richland County Board Of Supervisors And The Richland County Sheriff To Conduct Biannual Alcohol Age Compliance Checks Of Licensed Liquor Establishments.

WHEREAS, alcohol continues to be the number one drug of choice among Richland County youth; and

WHEREAS, research shows the human brain continues to develop into a person's mid-20's and that development is influenced by a person's environment and exposure to drugs and alcohol; and

WHEREAS, people who begin drinking before age 15 are four times more likely to develop alcohol dependence at some time in their lives as compared to those who have their first drink at age 20 or older; and

WHEREAS, underage drinking is linked to youth depression, academic failure, suicide, and violence, including sexual assault; and

WHEREAS, underage drinking is considered a drug of initiation leading to other drug use, and

WHEREAS, alcohol continues to kill and harm more youth than all other illegal drugs combined; and

WHEREAS, studies show parents talking to other parents and taking other concrete steps to prevent underage drinking are the most powerful influences in a young person's life; and

WHEREAS, 35% of Richland County high school youth report drinking alcohol prior to the age of 13 (2019 Youth Risk Behavioral Survey); and

WHEREAS, 23% of Richland County high school youth report having consumed at least one drink of alcohol in the last 30 days (2019 Youth Risk Behavioral Survey); and

WHEREAS, youth report "easy access" to alcohol, and licensed liquor establishments are not consistently checking ID's and some are selling to youth,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in furtherance of these important efforts, I, Sheriff of the County of Richland, Wisconsin, and the Board of Supervisors, do hereby agree to collaborate to conduct biannual alcohol age compliance checks of licensed liquor establishments, and hereby invite the citizens of Richland County to pledge support for continued strategic efforts to reduce youth access to alcohol and consumption in our county.

VOTE ON FOREGOING RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OFFERED BY THE LAW  
ENFORCEMENT AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_

DEREK S. KALISH  
COUNTY CLERK

DATED: DECEMBER 14, 2021

	FOR	AGAINST
MELISSA LUCK	X	
DAVID TURK	X	
CHAD COSGROVE	X	
DANIEL MCGUIRE		
KERRY SEVERSON	X	