KENOSHA COUNTY

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

RESOLUTION NO.

Subject: Recognizing September 25, 2018, as National Voter Registration Day									
Original	Corrected	2nd Correction ☐	Re	esubmitted					
Date Submitted:				Date Resubmitted:					
Submitted By: John Franco									
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Whereas, the right to vote is a fundamental right that is a basic responsibility as an American citizen and is a vital component of a healthy democracy; and

Whereas, some citizens in Kenosha County struggle to realize their right to vote for reasons such as missing a registration deadline, failing to update one's registration, or simply not being aware of the process; and

Whereas, each eligible Kenosha County citizen who would like to vote should be able to do so without encountering unnecessary barriers to the ballot box that could be easily remedied by education and civic action; and

Whereas, the Bureau of Census estimates that over 20 percent of eligible United States citizens are not registered to vote, comprising roughly 60 to 70 million people; and

Whereas, increased voter registration will lead to a higher participation rate in elections; and

Whereas, in 2016 over 750,000 voters used National Voter Registration Day to register to vote across 50 states and the holiday's growing number of local partners engage upwards of 10,000 local volunteers; and

Whereas, many organizations and individuals who encourage voter registration and civic participation have promoted National Voter Registration Day; and

Whereas, since 2012 this holiday has been endorsed by the National Association of Secretaries of State and the National Association of State Election Directors.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors recognize September 25, 2018 as National Voter Registration Day with the intent to encourage local civic organizations to participate in the registration process and make sure that all potential voters have the necessary identification to ensure one's right to vote; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors call on all Kenosha County citizens to ensure that they are registered to vote either online, by mail, or in person and pledge to go to the polls on Election Day and vote every opportunity one has at the local, state, and federal levels; and

Be It Further Resolved , that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Kenosha County's legislative delegation, Governor Scott Walker, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.								
John Franco								

Approved by:								
Legislative Committee:								
	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	Abstain	Excused				
Gabe Nudo, Chair								
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