

Resolution No. – (54-10)

Commemorating the 100th Anniversary of Cooperative Extension, A Division of the University of Wisconsin - Extension

WHEREAS, Ernest L. Luther was appointed the state's first county extension agent in Oneida County on February 12, 1912, and

WHEREAS, 2012 marks the 100th anniversary of this unique educational partnership between the counties of the state and Cooperative Extension, and

WHEREAS, this partnership as pioneered in Wisconsin embodies the true meaning of the "Wisconsin Idea" — that the resources and knowledge of the university shall be extended to the people of the state wherever they live and work, and

WHEREAS, the 100th anniversary of Mr. Luther's appointment commemorates the contributions of all Cooperative Extension educators to the growth and development of the entire state, and

WHEREAS, Cooperative Extension's purpose is to teach, learn, lead and serve, connecting the people with the University of Wisconsin, and engaging with them in transforming lives and communities, and

WHEREAS, the vitality of today's Cooperative Extension programs can be credited to the men and women of vision who accepted the challenge in 1912 to create the Wisconsin county extension system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Grant County Board of Supervisors that the board hereby commends the UW-Extension, its division of Cooperative Extension, and its local county extension educators for their cooperation and support, which allows people of Grant County to apply the research and knowledge of the University of Wisconsin in their lives, homes, farms, schools and businesses.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Kristine Zaballos, UW-Extension, Cooperative Extension.

For consideration by the Grant County Board of Supervisors on March 20, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Ag & Extension Committee

JOHN PATCLE, Grant County Board Chair

Fiscal Note: No fiscal impact