

1 **RESOLUTION No. 544– 21**

2 **SUPPORTING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION**

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4 WHEREAS, Marinette County Board Supervisors are elected to represent the people of Marinette  
5 County and are duly sworn by their oath of office to uphold the United States Constitution; and

6 WHEREAS, some Marinette County Citizens have indicated they believe it is important for the  
7 County Board to specifically show their support for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment of the United States Constitution;  
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9 WHEREAS, a majority of the County Board wishes to not only demonstrate their support for the  
10 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment but the entire Constitution and all Amendments; and

11 WHEREAS, the purpose for the adoption of the Constitution is well summarized in the preamble  
12 which states “We the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice,  
13 insure domestic Tranquility, provide for common Defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the  
14 blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Prosperity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the  
15 United States of America”; and

16 WHEREAS, the United States Constitution adopted in 1787 establishes the basic principles of the  
17 legal, political, and economic system; and

18 WHEREAS, in 1791, a list of Ten (10) Amendments consisting of the following: 1<sup>st</sup> -Freedom of  
19 religion, speech, the press, assembly, and the right to petition the government; 2<sup>nd</sup> - Right to keep and  
20 bear arms; 3<sup>rd</sup> – Soldiers cannot take or live in a person’s house; 4<sup>th</sup> – Government cannot arrest a person  
21 or search a person’s property unless there is *probable cause*; 5<sup>th</sup> – Government must follow the law (due  
22 process) before punishing a person; 6<sup>th</sup> – Person has a right to a fair and speedy trial by Jury; 7<sup>th</sup> – Person  
23 has a right to a Jury trial for civil cases; 8<sup>th</sup> – Government cannot demand excessive bail or fines, or cruel  
24 and unusual punishment; 9<sup>th</sup> – Constitution does not include all the rights of the people and the states; and  
25 10<sup>th</sup> – Any power the Constitution does not give to the Federal Government belongs to the states, were  
26 added and are referred to as the Bill of Rights and over the years additional amendments were added; and

27 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Marinette County Board of Supervisors supports  
28 the Constitution and all 27 Amendments and strongly opposes any modifications to the Bill of Rights and  
29 further opposes any special legislation that would infringe on those rights; and

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Marinette County Board directs the County Clerk to distribute  
31 copies of this resolution to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin and the State and Federal  
32 Representatives elected to represent the citizens of Marinette County.

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34 Adopted this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2022, by a majority vote of a quorum of the Marinette County Board.

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38 John Guarisco, Chairperson

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Kathy Brandt, County Clerk

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41 Submitted by: Administrative Committee January 13, 2022