



Proclamation *In Recognition of* Juneteenth National Independence Day

WHEREAS, We resolve that June 19, 2023 is Juneteenth National Independence Day, as signed into Law on June 17, 2021 as part of the Honor America Days period from June 14th (Flag Day) to July 4th (Independence Day); and

WHEREAS, We further resolve that it be a Day of Awareness of the lifetime work of Sounds Of Good News (SOGN) Productions and its Young Eagles Success (YES) Club Character Excellence Program Charity for Children and Families as representative of the efforts of African-Americans to exemplify freedom and unity for all people; and

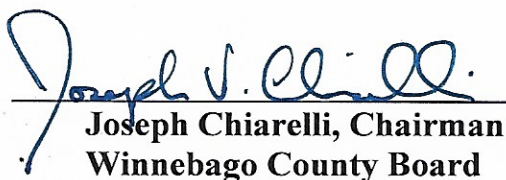
WHEREAS, We further resolve that the legacy of SOGN YES Club, under the direction of Carl and Dianna Cole, be remembered and acknowledged as a part of the history of Winnebago County/Rockford, IL as a Non- Profit Organization worthy of interest and support, for the inspiration and empowerment of young people of all races and cultures; and

WHEREAS, We finally resolve that during Honor America Days, that SOGN YES Club be considered a significant charity to support in Winnebago County.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joseph Chiarelli, Chairman of the Winnebago County Board do hereby proclaim the day of June 19th to be **Juneteenth National Independence Day** and a day of awareness for the **Sounds Of Good News** and its **Young Eagles Success Club** in Winnebago County, and urge all citizens to commemorate and celebrate June 19th as such.



Signed and sealed this 19th day of June, 2023.


Joseph Chiarelli, Chairman
Winnebago County Board