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**COUNTY EXECUTIVE DELAGRAVE AND MAYOR DICKERT DECLARE 2017 TO BE
“YEAR OF VISIONING FOR GREATER RACINE”**

Public Invited to Participate in the Last County-wide Visioning Session this Saturday, April 22, 2017

Racine – County Executive Jonathan Delagrave joined with Mayor John Dickert to sign a resolution proclaiming 2017 to be the “Year of Visioning” for the City of Racine and its surrounding municipalities. The proclamation states:

Whereas, Visioning a Greater Racine has a goal of creating a flourishing place we are all proud to call home by the year 2030;

Whereas, Visioning a Greater Racine celebrates diversity in opinion and seeks to acknowledge and share the aspirations of the community; and

Whereas, Visioning a Greater Racine has trained over 100 volunteers and engaged over 900 local citizens in the visioning process, inspiring them to believe in the future; and

Whereas, Visioning a Greater Racine has engaged numerous community agencies spanning the sectors of business, nonprofit, government, labor and faith-based organizations to align efforts in promoting and improving Greater Racine;

Now therefore, we the undersigned do hereby proclaim 2017 to be “The Year of Visioning for Greater Racine.”

“Visioning Greater Racine (VGR) is a group of concerned citizens leading a grass roots effort to make Racine and its sister communities---Caledonia, Mt. Pleasant, Sturtevant, Wind Point, Elmwood Park and North Bay--- “a flourishing community we are all proud to call home” by the year 2030,” explains Tom Buhler, President of VGR and Director of Business Development at Butter Buds Food Ingredients. Over 900 Racine County citizens have participated in one of the 30 visioning sessions held thus far.

“We are honored that Racine’s leading civic figures have come together to make this proclamation”, added Buhler. “It is a testimony to the importance of the visioning process.”

The public is urged to share their ideas and their voices this Saturday morning, April 22, 2017, in the last four major community-wide visioning sessions of the year. These visioning sessions will be held at separate locations:

Head Start School, 1032 Grand Avenue, Racine, 10 am –11:30 am
Sealed Air YMCA, 8501 Campus Drive, Mount Pleasant, 11:30 am – 1 pm
Gifford Middle School, 8332 Northwestern Avenue, Caledonia, 10 am – 11:30 am
Gateway’s SC Johnson iMET Center, 2320 Renaissance Blvd, Sturtevant, 10 am – 11:30 am

Details can be found at the Visioning a Greater Racine Facebook page. For questions regarding the visioning sessions or VGR in general, please contact Rod French at (262) 880-2743.

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