

## Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request



Requested Meeting Date: June 23, 2015

Title of Item: Request to Gather & Read Declaration of Independence **Action Requested:** Direction Requested **REGULAR AGENDA** Approve/Deny Motion Discussion Item **CONSENT AGENDA** Adopt Resolution (attach draft) Hold Public Hearing\* INFORMATION ONLY \*provide copy of hearing notice that was published Submitted by: **Department:** Nathan Burkett Administration Presenter (Name and Title): **Estimated Time Needed:** Summary of Issue: The Aitkin County Republican Party is requesting your permission to meet outside the Courthouse near the steps at 2:00pm on July 4th, 2015. We plan to have one person reading the Declaration of Independence to those who gather. Our intent is education, historical remembrance, and to honor the day as John Adams noted should occur without exception with the quote below. "I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty; it ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more." We will not be doing any of the above but do want to commemorate the anniversary of the Declaration by reading it. Thank you for your consideration, Kari Abbott Chair Aitkin County Republicans Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments: Recommended Action/Motion: Approve request to read Declaration of Independence near the Courthouse steps at 2:00 p.m. on July 4, 2015. Financial Impact: Is there a cost associated with this request? What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ Is this budgeted? Please Explain: Yes No