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From the Director, Office of Emergency Management, requesting designation of the Milwaukee County (the County) Hazard Mitigation Plan as the official plan of the County to comply with the Disaster Mitigation Act 2000, effective for five years, upon adoption, by requesting adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County (the County) recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property; and

WHEREAS, undertaking hazard mitigation action before disasters occur will reduce loss of life, property, human suffering, economic disruption, and disaster assistance costs; and

WHEREAS, an adopted Hazard Mitigation Plan is required as a condition of Federal grant funding for future mitigation projects funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the County initiated the update of the existing County Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, intergovernmental cooperation for purposes of hazard mitigation should be encouraged; and

WHEREAS, the County participated jointly in the planning process with municipal units of government within the county to prepare this Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this plan allows municipal governments to adopt it for their jurisdiction, placing the County in an advantageous position when competing for pre- and post-disaster mitigation project dollars from the United States Department of Homeland Security FEMA; and

WHEREAS, adoption of the 2017 County Hazard Mitigation Plan is necessary to comply with the Disaster Mitigation Act 2000 amendment of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act which states that the county is obligated to try to reduce any hazard that has received relief funding in the past; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this plan would make it valid for the next five years; and

WHEREAS, the County Office of Emergency Management submitted the County Hazard Mitigation Plan to Federal Emergency Management Agency and Wisconsin Emergency Management officials and received plan approval on May 17th and 19th, 2017, respectively; and

47 WHEREAS, the Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services, at its
48 meeting of October 18, 2017, recommended adoption of File No. 17-670 (vote 4-0);
49 now, therefore,

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51 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby
52 designates the Milwaukee County (the County) 2017 Hazard Mitigation Plan as the
53 official hazard mitigation plan for the County.

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