(ITEM) From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, seeking authorization to accept the donation of approximately one acre of land located at 9722 West Allyn Street, Milwaukee, adjacent to the Little Menomonee River Parkway, to be designated as park land and requesting that appropriate Milwaukee County staff be authorized to prepare, review, approve, execute, record and/or implement the required documents or perform actions to facilitate the acquisition of this property, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, discussions in 2013 between a representative of the Milwaukee Jewish Federation, Inc., (MJF) and the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) led to an offer to donate approximately one acre of land owned by MJF to DPRC; and

WHEREAS, this property is located at 9722 West Allyn Street in the City of Milwaukee; and

WHEREAS, the property is located on the east side of the river, north of Brown Deer Road and south of County Line Road, and directly abuts the Little Menomonee River Parkway and Joseph Lichter Park; and

WHEREAS, this tract of undeveloped land is comprised mostly of open field and woodlands and has residential developments to the south and east; and

WHEREAS, DPRC evaluated the appropriateness of adding this property; and

WHEREAS, DPRC has reviewed the attributes of the property and evaluated its significance related to the draft Park and Open Space Plan for Milwaukee County and other established plans and goals; and

WHEREAS, the site is vacant, relatively undisturbed, and appears to have had no previous development; and

WHEREAS, DPRC and Department of Administrative Services – Environmental Services has investigated the site to evaluate the natural resources and identify signs of potential environmental contamination or concern; and

WHEREAS, the conclusion of these investigations was that there are no apparent environmental problems existing on the site and that the parcel would be a meaningful extension of the existing parks and adjacent Primary Environmental Corridor; and

WHEREAS, DPRC concluded that this property would provide an excellent addition 44 in terms of open space and natural resource preservation, enhanced security to existing 45 park lands, and connection with the surrounding neighborhood; and 46 47 WHEREAS, the DPRC Director has recommended that DPRC be authorized to 48 accept the donation of the property located at 9722 West Allyn Street from MJF and that 49 appropriate Milwaukee County staff be authorized to prepare, review, approve, execute, 50 51 record and/or implement the required documents or perform actions to facilitate the acquisition of this property; now, therefore, 52 53 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) is 54 authorized to accept the donation of the property located at 9722 West Allyn Street, 55 Milwaukee, from the Milwaukee Jewish Federation, Inc.; and 56 57 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that DPRC, the Department of Administrative Services, 58 Risk Management, Corporation Counsel, and Register of Deeds are authorized to prepare, 59 review, approve, execute, record all documents and to perform all actions required to 60 facilitate the acquisition of this property; and 61 62 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon acquisition of this property by Milwaukee 63 64 County, it shall be dedicated as Park Land; and 65 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and County Clerk are 66 authorized to execute any required documents. 67 68 69 70 ag 71 H:\Shared\COMCLERK\Committees\2014\Feb\PE&E\Resolutions\14-99.doc 72