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Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to enter into a 2020 contract with the State of Wisconsin for Social Services and Community Programs, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 46.031 of the Wisconsin State Statutes requires that Milwaukee County (the County) enter into a contract with the State of Wisconsin (the State) Department of Health Services for social services and community programs (Community Aids); and

WHEREAS, the State has provided notification of funding in 2020 for social services and community programs; and

WHEREAS, the actual 2020 Community Aids contract for the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) provides a 2020 allocation totaling \$12,370,321, and this amount is \$1,551,557 less than the \$13,921,878 included in the 2020 DHHS budget; and

WHEREAS, part of this difference is due to the 2020 base contract not including \$1.1 million in funds associated with the waitlist elimination for the Children's Long-Term Support, and these funds will instead be provided in the first quarter of 2020; and

WHEREAS, the remaining difference is due to the \$445,000 in Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Treatment Juvenile Justice funding, which is being awarded separately in 2020, and a reduction of about \$19,000 in estimated Social Service Block Grant funding, which partially funds the Basic County Allocation; and

WHEREAS, it is in the County's best interest to execute contracts in a timely manner to improve cash flow and maximize interest earnings; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Health and Human Needs, at its meeting of December 11, 2019, considered File No. 19-897, for informational purposes only; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of December 12, 2019, recommended adoption of File No. 19-897 (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), or her designee is authorized to execute a contract, and any addendum thereto, with the State of Wisconsin (the State) Department of Health Services in the amount of \$12,370,321, for social services and community programs for the period effective January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, of the \$12,370,321 in State Community Aids revenue, \$3,143,542 is Basic County Allocation funding, (which includes earmarked funds of \$426,335 for Adult Protective Services), allocated to the Disabilities Services Division-DHHS and Housing Division-DHHS, \$2,685,321 is earmarked for the Birth-to-Three Program, \$930,182 is designated for the Children's Community Options Program, and \$5,611,276 is included for the Children's Long-Term Support Program.

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