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From the Director, Department of Transportation, and the President and Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS), requesting approval of modifications to MCTS Routes 57 and 22 to provide coverage for current Route 61 (Appleton-Keefe) passengers, no later than December 2018, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, two bus routes were operated with settlement funds from the Zoo Interchange litigation in the past year, including Route 6 (New Berlin Industrial Park Express), and Route 61 (Appleton-Keefe); and

WHEREAS, the Adopted 2018 Transit Budget included references to the discontinuation of Routes 6 and 61 in December 2018, when Zoo Interchange litigation settlement funds were projected to be exhausted; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) evaluated means of reconfiguring existing routes, which would continue to provide service to portions of Route 61, and generate the largest numbers of passenger rides; and

WHEREAS, it was recommended by MCTS planners that areas of Route 61 be covered by the extension of a nearby bus route, Route 57 (Walnut-Lisbon); and

WHEREAS, extending Route 57 to cover portions of Route 61 that operate on Appleton Avenue north to North Silver Spring Drive would provide a connection for passengers to job opportunities in downtown Milwaukee; and

WHEREAS, it was also recommended by MCTS planners that areas of Route 61 be covered by the extension of another nearby bus route, Route 22 (Center Street); and

WHEREAS, extending Route 22 to cover portions of Route 57 along West Center Street (west of North 60th Street) and along North 92nd Street (between Center Street and Appleton Avenue) will ensure that all bus stops along Routes 22 and 57 will continue to have transit services; and

WHEREAS, these changes more fully integrate Routes 22 and 57 into the larger transit system network, and provide riders with shorter travel times and better access to major job centers; and

WHEREAS, the service span and the frequency of service of reconfigured Routes 57 and 22 would be comparable to current levels, and are consistent with MCTS' core priorities of sustainability, equity, and excellence; and

46 WHEREAS, the Committee on Transportation, Public Works, and Transit, at its
47 meeting of September 5, 2018, recommended adoption of File No. 18-641 (vote 5-0);
48 now, therefore,

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50 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) is authorized
51 to modify MCTS Routes 57 and 22 to provide coverage for current Route 61
52 (Appleton-Keefe) passengers, beginning no later than December 2018.

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