


COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 15, 2018

TO: Theodore Lipscomb, Chair, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM: John Barrett, Clerk of Circuit Court/Register in Probate 

SUBJECT: Resolution Requesting that Out-of-County Travel Moratorium Be Lifted

We respectfully request that the County Board adopt the attached resolution lifting the moratorium on out-of-County travel for Combined Courts, as Combined Courts has complied with and satisfied the 2018 budget requirement of a 0.75 percent expenditure reduction.

Earlier this year, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors placed a moratorium on out-of-County travel for all County departments in order to meet the 0.75 percent expenditure reduction. That resolution also provided that the moratorium would be lifted for County departments that provided to the County Board a report identifying the 0.75 percent expenditure reduction in a manner that does not result in direct service cuts.

Combined Courts has complied with the moratorium and has not engaged in out-of-County travel that did not meet other exceptions, as outlined by the Comptroller, specifically, travel funded under grants and travel related to job duties. Additionally, in the 2018 travel plan submitted to the Comptroller, all anticipated out-of-County travel falls under those two exceptions. Combined Courts, is, however, seek a lifting of the moratorium on out-of-County travel for the department should travel be subsequently identified that is necessary to meet the needs and responsibilities of the department.

In order to satisfy the \$196,283 expenditure reduction (0.75 percent of Combined Courts 2018 budget), Combined Courts will take \$189,000 from low org unit 2856, object 7973, which is Minor Office Equipment and \$7,283 from high org unit 2000, object 7999, which is Sundry Materials & Supplies. Neither of these reductions will result in any cuts to services.

Your consideration and agreement with this request will be greatly appreciated.