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3 A resolution by Supervisors Lipscomb, Sr., Johnson, Jr., Moore Omokunde, Taylor,  
4 Schmitt, Haas, Cullen, and Wasserman, in support of the State of Wisconsin (the State)  
5 fully funding all operating and capital costs associated with Secure Residential Care  
6 Centers for Youth and Family throughout the State, by recommending adoption of the  
7 following:

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9 **A RESOLUTION**

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11 WHEREAS, 2017 Wisconsin Act 185 (Act 185), published on March 31, 2018,  
12 approved the closure of Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake Juvenile Correction Center by  
13 January 1, 2021; and

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15 WHEREAS, Act 185 creates a new Type 1 Juvenile Correctional Center that will  
16 be operated by the Department of Corrections, Secure Residential Care Centers for  
17 Youth and Family (SRCCCY) that will be operated by counties, and the expansion of  
18 the Mendota Juvenile Treatment Center; and

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20 WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin (the State) authorized \$40 million statewide  
21 for the planning and construction of the new SRCCCYs, and counties must submit a  
22 grant application to the Juvenile Corrections Grant Committee to receive any of the  
23 funds; and

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25 WHEREAS, several counties testified at the May 2019 Juvenile Grant Committee  
26 meeting that \$40 million is insufficient to construct the facilities, as Racine and  
27 Milwaukee counties estimate costs of approximately \$38 million and \$41 million,  
28 respectively; and

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30 WHEREAS, counties will be responsible for covering the annual operational  
31 costs for the SRCCCY; La Crosse County estimates a SRCCCY would more than  
32 double their current annual cost; and

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34 WHEREAS, Dane County and Brown County expressed concerns of long-term  
35 operational costs, and Milwaukee County estimates an annual gap of \$2.7 million along  
36 with a one-time startup cost of \$1.7 for SRCCCY; and

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38 WHEREAS, counties throughout the State have expressed great concerns over  
39 the annual operational cost of the SRCCCYs, and the hardship that they are tasked with  
40 to close future budget gaps; and

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42 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of June 13,  
43 2019, recommended adoption of File No. 19-558 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

44 BE IT RESOLVED, Milwaukee County hereby requests that the State of  
45 Wisconsin (the State) fully fund the operational and capital costs of the new Secure  
46 Residential Care Centers for Youth and Family throughout the State; and  
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48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Office of Government Affairs staff are authorized  
49 and directed to provide this resolution to the Wisconsin Counties Association for  
50 consideration in their 2020 Legislative Platform.  
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