Office of Emergency Management request designation of the 2025 Milwaukee County Hazard Mitigation Plan as the official Hazard Mitigation Plan for the County of Milwaukee, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County (the County) recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property; and

WHEREAS, undertaking hazard mitigation action before disasters occur will reduce loss of life and property, human suffering, economic disruption, and disaster-assistance costs; and

WHEREAS, an adopted Hazard Mitigation Plan is required as a condition of Federal grant funding for future mitigation projects funded by the United States (US) Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the County initiated the update of the County's existing Hazard Mitigation Plan (the Plan); and

WHEREAS, intergovernmental cooperation for purposes of hazard mitigation should be encouraged, and the County participated jointly in the planning process with municipal units of government within the county to prepare this Plan; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this plan allows municipal governments to adopt it for their jurisdiction, placing the County in an advantageous position when competing for pre- and post-disaster mitigation project dollars from the US DHS FEMA; and

WHEREAS, adoption of the County's 2025 Plan is necessary to comply with the Disaster Mitigation Act 2000 Amendment of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, which states that "The County is obligated to try to reduce any hazard that has received relief funding in the past;" and

WHEREAS, adoption of this Plan would make it valid for the next five years; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Management submitted the Plan to FEMA and State of Wisconsin Emergency Management officials, and received approval of the Plan on May 22, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Committee Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services, 43 recommended adoption of File No. 25-440 (vote 5-0); now, therefore, 44 45 46 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby 47 designates the Milwaukee County (the County) 2025 Hazard Mitigation Plan as the 48 official hazard mitigation plan of the County. 49 50 51 52 53 ars 07/15/25 S:\Committees\2025\July\JLEGS July 15\Resolutions\25-440 oem 2025 county hazard mitigation plan ars.docx