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3 From the Directors of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department
4 of Administrative Services requesting release of funds held in an allocated contingency
5 account within capital project WS12601 - Youth Services Admin Relocation and Tenant
6 Improvements, by recommending adoption of the following:

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8 **A RESOLUTION**

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10 WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), and the
11 Facilities Management Division, Department of Administrative Services (FMD-DAS),
12 have been working together for over two years to strategize and plan a relocation of
13 DHHS administrative staff from the Behavioral Health Division (BHD) Mental Health
14 Complex, Marcia P. Coggs Human Services Center (Coggs Center), and the Vel Phillips
15 Youth and Family Justice Center, in support of the DHHS “No Wrong Door” approach to
16 customer service, which is guiding the facility-related decisions; and

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18 WHEREAS, for over a year, DHHS worked with FMD-DAS to identify an
19 alternative location to the Coggs Center, and reviewed a number of long-term lease
20 options and buildout plans with DHHS leadership, and ultimately the decision was
21 made to remain at the Coggs Center as described in File No. 21-799; and

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23 WHEREAS, the original impetus for relocating from the Coggs Center was the
24 building’s lack of accessibility, and this concern remains unchanged and is now the
25 focus of a redesign effort being undertaken by FMD-DAS and its space consultant;
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28 WHEREAS, the Coggs Center has been a long-recognized location for
29 providing and receiving community services, and the decision to consolidate DHHS
30 staff at the Coggs Center while investing in the building is well aligned with Milwaukee
31 County strategic focus areas, as well as the DHHS strategic plan; and

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33 WHEREAS, as part of the 2021 Adopted Capital Improvements Budget, the
34 Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board) adopted Amendment 1B005,
35 requiring that a written plan detailing the project scope and location be submitted to
36 the County Board for review, prior to the release of approximately \$4.7 million in funds
37 being held in an allocated contingency account, to support a portion of the costs of
38 this project; and

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40 WHEREAS, the information requested by the County Board has been provided
41 as part of this file, as well as File No. 21-799; and

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43 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of December 9, 2021,
44 recommended adoption of File No. 21-1035 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,
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46 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby
47 authorizes the Office of Performance, Strategy, and Budget, Department of
48 Administrative Services, and the Office of the Comptroller, to release \$4,663,816 in
49 funds from the allocated contingency account into Capital Project WS12601 – Youth
50 Services Administration Relocation and Tenant Improvements.

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