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5 **A RESOLUTION**

6 to utilize the balance of funds available in the allocated contingency fund within Capital  
7 Improvement Project WE033 Behavioral Health Facility to construct a new behavioral health  
8 hospital on the Milwaukee County grounds  
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10 WHEREAS, the 2006 Adopted Budget directed the Department of Health and Human  
11 Services (DHHS) and the Economic and Community Development Division (ECD) to explore  
12 potential alternative locations for the Behavioral Health Division (BHD) to conduct its inpatient  
13 and nursing home operations; and  
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15 WHEREAS, in May 2006, subsequent to an announcement by Wheaton Franciscan  
16 Healthcare (WFH) of plans to discontinue hospital inpatient operations at St. Michael's Hospital,  
17 DHHS and ECD initiated discussions with WFH regarding the possible utilization of that site;  
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20 WHEREAS, over the course of 2007, 2008, and 2009 the County Board of Supervisors  
21 debated whether to enter into a lease with Weas Development Co. for the long-term lease of the  
22 St. Michael Hospital Facility for the Behavioral Health inpatient and nursing home operations,  
23 but ultimately decided not to pursue that option; and  
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25 WHEREAS, the 2010 Adopted Capital Budget included Capital Improvement Project  
26 WE033—Behavioral Health Facility, which included a \$12,596,494 appropriation, placed in the  
27 allocated contingency fund, for the planning, design, and construction of a new behavioral health  
28 facility and/or the renovation of the current facility; and  
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30 WHEREAS, on Thursday, June 3, 2010, BHD received a Statement of Deficiency (SOD)  
31 from the State of Wisconsin as a result of a recent State/Centers for Medicaid and Medicare  
32 Services survey; and  
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34 WHEREAS, on July 29, 2010, the Board approved (File no. 10-284) the release of  
35 \$1,825,890 from the 2010 BHD allocated contingency fund within capital funds (WE033) to  
36 address issues related to the SOD, leaving a balance of \$10,770,604; now, therefore  
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38 BE IT RESOLVED, that it is the intent of the Milwaukee County Board to utilize the  
39 balance of the funds available in the allocated contingency fund within Capital Improvement  
40 Project WE033 – Behavioral Health Facility to construct a new behavioral health hospital on  
41 the Milwaukee County Grounds; and  
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43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Special Committee, comprised of five members of  
44 the Board of Supervisors, whose membership and chair are appointed by the Chairman of the  
45 Board in a manner allowing the first meeting to be scheduled no later than December 1, 2010,  
46 is hereby created to work on the following directives:

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1. Examine current and potential operating revenues and evaluate the merits of locating some functions of BHD, such as the nursing home and outpatient services, at sites other than the County Grounds in a manner that is more integrated with the community and perhaps more cost effective
2. Utilize, reassess, and update previously gathered information regarding BHD space needs to provide a preliminary cost analysis of the cost to build a new facility on the County Grounds
3. Provide possible locations on the County Grounds for a new facility
4. Recommend other funding sources and a timeline for this project
5. Obtain and analyze other information as requested by members of the Special Committee

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Special Committee shall issue its final report no later than June 1, 2011; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds from Capital Improvement Project WE033 – Behavioral Health Facility, held in an allocated contingency account, could be made available, subject to an appropriation transfer, to obtain supplemental consulting and professional services necessary to carry out the assigned planning tasks.