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(ITEM ) A resolution by Supervisor Taylor, authorizing the Legislative and Judicial Branches of Milwaukee County Government to send mass e-mail communications, by recommending adoption of the following:

**A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the capability to send mass e-mail communications to all Milwaukee County (the County) departments is highly useful and is a tool that should be available to certain officials to convey appropriate and relevant information to employees; and

WHEREAS, the Information Management Services Division, Department of Administrative Services (IMSD-DAS) specifically outlines the procedure for mass e-mail communications within its Manual of Operating Procedures; and

WHEREAS, IMSD-DAS’s current procedure cites the Milwaukee County Executive and the Office of Emergency Management as the only entities authorized to use the County’s various mass e-mail communication tools; and

WHEREAS, the procedure for sending business critical mass e-mail communications is only granted to select individuals, which currently does not include the Chairperson of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board) or the Chief Judge; and

WHEREAS, there are occasions when communications of county-wide importance would most appropriately be communicated through the County Board Chairperson or Chief Judge; and

WHEREAS, it is the expectation of all County departments to be made aware of information that is pertinent and relevant to them; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services, at its meeting of March 3, 2016, recommended adoption of this resolution (vote 5-1); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, it is the policy of Milwaukee County that the Chairperson of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and the Chief Judge be granted the same discretion to send mass e-mail communications as the Milwaukee County Executive as outlined in the Information Management Services Division, Department of Administrative Services (IMSD-DAS) Manual of Operating Procedures, including business critical mass e-mail communications; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, IMSD-DAS is requested to update their Manual of Operating Procedures to reflect the changes established in this policy.

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