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5 **A RESOLUTION**

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7 Requesting cooperation from all elected offices and county departments to
8 improve data governance, maximize data transparency, and facilitate data-informed
9 decision-making

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12 WHEREAS, Milwaukee County is committed to ensuring the responsible and
13 effective use of data to improve services, inform decision-making, and promote
14 accountability across all levels of government; and

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16 WHEREAS, improved data governance is essential for ensuring data quality,
17 security, accessibility, and compliance with federal, state, and local regulations; and

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19 WHEREAS, the County has adopted a strategic plan that prioritizes racial equity,
20 health equity, and operational excellence, all of which require robust data governance,
21 transparent reporting, and data-driven policymaking; and

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23 WHEREAS, transparency in data promotes trust and engagement from
24 Milwaukee County residents by providing them with clear, accessible, and actionable
25 information regarding County programs, services, and outcomes; and

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27 WHEREAS, data-informed decision-making enables Milwaukee County's leaders
28 to evaluate the effectiveness of programs and services, allocate resources more
29 efficiently, and pursue innovative solutions to complex challenges facing the County;
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32 WHEREAS, maximizing the value of data requires collaboration and cooperation
33 from all elected offices and departments to share data, enhance data systems, and
34 adhere to best practices in data governance; and

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36 WHEREAS, fostering a culture of data transparency and accountability will
37 improve operational efficiency, service delivery, and policy outcomes, helping
38 Milwaukee County achieve its goal of becoming the healthiest County in Wisconsin; and
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40 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of December 12, 2024,
41 recommended adoption of File No. 24-880 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,
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43 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby requests
44 that all elected offices, County departments, and affiliated agencies fully cooperate with
45 the County's efforts to enhance data governance, maximize data transparency, and
46 facilitate data-informed decision-making by:
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- 48 1. Sharing Data - Providing access to relevant, timely, and accurate data needed to
49 support the County's strategic goals, programs, and operations
- 50 2. Adopting Best Practices – Implementing standardized data governance policies,
51 procedures, and tools to ensure consistency, security, and ethical data use
52 across all offices and departments
- 53 3. Promoting Transparency – Making data related to the County's performance,
54 services, and decision-making publicly available in a format that is easily
55 understandable and accessible to residents
- 56 4. Supporting Innovation – Collaborating with County leadership and other
57 stakeholders to identify opportunities for data-driven innovation that will improve
58 service delivery, increase operational efficiencies, and enhance public trust
- 59 5. Building Capacity – Investing in training and resources to empower County staff
60 with the skills and tools necessary to analyze and interpret data for better
61 decision-making
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65 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
66 directs the Department of Administrative Services – Information Management Services
67 Division (DAS-IMSD), working in collaboration with the Office of Strategy, Budget, and
68 Performance and other departments as necessary, to provide periodic updates on the
69 implementation of this resolution, including progress made toward enhancing data
70 governance, transparency, and decision-making across the County.
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