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From the Executive Director of Parks seeking authorization to submit to the grant programs for the Land and Water Conservation Funding Program of up to \$459,000, and, if applicable, to accept a related grant award for recreational improvements to Tiefenthaler Park, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) owns and maintains Tiefenthaler Park (the Park) (located at 2501 West Galena Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin), a 10.69-acre neighborhood park, in the City of Milwaukee’s Midtown neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, 2024 Adopted Budget Amendment 42 included an appropriation of \$500,000 for park enhancements, and adopted File No. 24-115 approved the responsive DPRC report, which allocated \$100,000 for improvements to the Park; and

WHEREAS, in March 2022, the American Rescue Plan Act Task Force approved HRA22-91, wherein DPRC allocated \$110,000 for improvements to the Park; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee Parks Foundation (MPF), a nonprofit corporation founded in 2019 with a mission to collectively steward a thriving park system, is dedicated to building a more vibrant and equitable parks’ system that benefits all, and has committed \$200,000 towards improvements to the Park; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Milwaukee Foundation, the State of Wisconsin’s (the State’s) largest community foundation, invests in transformational change to reshape Milwaukee as a region where everyone thrives, and has allocated \$48,800 for Park improvements; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) administers the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant program, which encourages the creation and interpretation of high-quality outdoor recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the importance of recent reinvestments in the Park, DPRC and MPF are seeking additional support from the State DNR to further enhance the Park’s improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks and Culture, at its meeting of June 4, 2024, recommended adoption of File No. 24-506 (vote 5-0); and

43 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of June 13, 2024,
44 recommended adoption of File Number 24-506 (vote 5-0); now, therefore,
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46 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board)
47 has allocated sufficient funds, supplemented by contributions from the Milwaukee Parks
48 Foundation, to complete the project, and hereby authorizes Guy Smith, Director,
49 Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC), to act on behalf of Milwaukee
50 County to submit an application to the State of Wisconsin (the State) Department of
51 Natural Resources (DNR) for financial aid that may be available, submit reimbursement
52 claims along with necessary supporting documentation within six months of the project
53 completion date, sign documents, and take necessary action to undertake, direct, and
54 complete the approved project at Tiefenthaler Park; and
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56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, DPRC will comply with State or Federal rules for
57 the programs; may perform force account work; will maintain the completed project in
58 an attractive, inviting, and safe manner; will keep the facilities open to the general public
59 during reasonable hours consistent with the type of facility; and will obtain from the
60 State DNR or National Park Service approval in writing before any change is made in
61 the use of the project site; and
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63 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board authorizes DPRC, Office of the
64 Comptroller, Department of Administrative Services (DAS), Corporation Counsel, Risk
65 Management, DAS, Office of Economic Inclusion, DAS, Office of the County Executive,
66 or any other department necessary, to take all actions required for the purpose of
67 accepting and administering the grant, if awarded.
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