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4 **A RESOLUTION**

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6 Requesting the Department of Administrative Services – Office of Performance,
7 Strategy and Budget (DAS-PSB) work in conjunction with the Office of the Comptroller
8 to develop an informational report on the ongoing fiscal impact of the expenditure limit
9 promulgated in 2013 Wisconsin Act 14 on County Board operations and the ability of
10 the Board of Supervisors to carry out its legislative duties
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13 WHEREAS, 2013 Wisconsin Act 14 (“Act 14”), enacted May 31, 2013, made
14 sweeping changes to the governance model of Milwaukee County; and
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16 WHEREAS, the state legislation, in general, reduced the authority of the
17 Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and increased the authority of the Milwaukee
18 County Executive; and
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20 WHEREAS, one of the components of Act 14 imposed a strict limit on County
21 Board expenditures to a maximum of 0.4 percent of the total tax levy with limited
22 exceptions; and
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24 WHEREAS, the expenditure limit has made it increasingly difficult to absorb even
25 modest raises for County Board staff that were provided to all general County
26 employees without reducing other budget costs including staff and/or resources to allow
27 elected officials to communicate with constituents; and
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29 WHEREAS, the expenditure limit formula, which is only applied to one County
30 and one Department in the State of Wisconsin, is likely to result in more difficult
31 decisions in future budgets that may compromise the County Board’s ability to carry out
32 its legislative duties; and
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34 WHEREAS, an informational report on the ongoing fiscal impact the state-
35 imposed expenditure limit may have on future County Board departmental budgets
36 would be helpful to educate policymakers and the public on the impact it may have on
37 future operations; now, therefore,
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39 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Department of Administrative Services – Office of
40 Performance, Strategy and Budget (DAS-PSB), working in conjunction with the Office of
41 the Comptroller, is requested to develop an informational report on the ongoing fiscal
42 impact of the expenditure limit on County Board operations as promulgated in 2013
43 Wisconsin Act 14; and

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the informational report is requested to be
45 provided to the County Board for consideration no later than the September 2020 cycle
46 so that policymakers and the public can better understand the fiscal constraints the
47 expenditure limit may have on future legislative branch budgets and the ability of the
48 Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors to carry out its legislative duties.