(ITEM   ) From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, requesting authorization to apply for, accept, and implement a State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources County Snowmobile Trail Aids grant, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) County Snowmobile Trail Aids Program is designed to provide a statewide system of well signed and groomed snowmobile trails for public use and enjoyment; and

WHEREAS, funded activities include signing, grading, brushing, and bridge construction; and

WHEREAS, only counties are eligible to apply for the grants; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) acts as a State approved agent, providing program grant funding to local, i.e. county, snowmobile organizations/clubs so that the organizations/clubs can make necessary improvements to county trails; and

WHEREAS, DPRC has, with County Board authorization, applied for snowmobile grants on behalf of local snowmobile organizations/clubs in the past and the local clubs have operated and maintained trails without any reported problems or expenses to Milwaukee County; and

WHEREAS, the Director, DPRC, respectfully recommends that DPRC be authorized to apply for, accept, and implement a WDNR County Snowmobile Trail Aids grant; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment, at its meeting of March 11, 2014, recommended adoption of the Department's request (vote 7-0); and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of March 13, 2014, also recommended adoption of the Department's request (vote 7-1); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture to apply for, accept, and implement a State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources County Snowmobile Trail Aids grant.

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