File No. 17-755

From the Interim Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to execute a contract with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services to operate the Disability Resource Center under the Family Care Program, for the period effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018, and to accept \$2,074,753 in projected revenue and any addendum thereto, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) engaged in a comprehensive initiative to redesign Wisconsin's long-term support services for the elderly and persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the result of that initiative is the Family Care Program; and

WHEREAS, a major purpose of Family Care is to divert persons requiring longterm care from expensive, publicly-funded nursing homes to more appropriate community-based forms of care; and

WHEREAS, one component of Family Care enables counties to serve as a Disability Resource Center (DRC); and

WHEREAS, the DRC of Milwaukee County (the County) is responsible for providing the following services: information and assistance; benefits counseling; access to Supplemental Security Income, Supplemental Security Income-Exceptional Expense, Medicaid, and food share; emergency response; adult protective services; transitional services; prevention and early intervention services; long-term care options counseling; and access to the Family Care benefit; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors authorized the Disabilities Services Division (DSD), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), to participate as the DRC of the County in June 2009; and

WHEREAS, the DSD, DHHS, is seeking authorization to continue to serve as the DRC of the County for the period effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has allocated \$2,074,753 to pay for the services to be provided by the DRC of the County during 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of December 11, 2017, recommended adoption of File No. 17-755 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Interim Director, Department of Health and Human 47 Services, or her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the 48 49 Wisconsin Department of Health Services to operate the Disability Resource Center of Milwaukee County for the period effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 50 2018, and to accept projected funding in the amount of \$2,074,753 and any addendum 51 52 thereto. 53 54 55 56 57 jmj 12/11/17 U:\Committees\2017\Dec\FA\Resolutions\17-755 whs disability resource center contract.docx