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Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to execute a 2022 fee-for-service agreement with Racine County for Children, Youth and Family Services, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Children, Youth, and Family Services (CYFS), Department of Health and Human Services, DHHS, operates a 127-bed detention center at the Vel R. Phillips Youth and Justice Center, and since mid-2021, the census in the detention center has been gradually rising; and

WHEREAS, the CYFS, DHHS, leadership team, and the Director and Jail Inspector, Office of Detention Facilities (ODF), House of Correction (HOC) met on June 14, 2022, to discuss concerns for the safety of youth and staff, as well as plans to address the high population, and was strongly encouraged to utilize other existing detention facilities, specifically Racine County (Racine), to place up to 10 youth, as soon as possible; and

WHEREAS, as an outcome of the meeting, CYFS-DHHS, submitted a plan to the ODF outlining efforts to provide a safe and secure facility, exploring the feasibility for youth to be transferred and housed in Racine on a short-term basis, until the census consistently remains below the licensed capacity of 127 youth; and

WHEREAS, the daily rate charged by Racine is \$325 for the general population, and \$540 for the Alternatives to Corrections Through Education Program; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of December 8, 2022, recommended adoption of File No. 22-1118 (vote 5-1); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, or her designee, to execute a 2022 Fee-for-Service Contract, with Racine County, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$325,000, for the period of January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.