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From the Assistant Superintendent, House of Correction, requesting authorization to execute a five-year contract extension in the amount of \$109,158,136 with Wellpath, LLC for the provision of medical services at the House of Correction and the Milwaukee County Jail for the 5-year period of March 31, 2021 to March 31, 2026, followed by three optional, one-year extensions, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County (the County) and Wellpath, LLC, (Wellpath) are parties to a Professional Service Contract to provide medical services, which was awarded by Request for Proposals (RFP) #98180020; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, in Adopted File No.19-192, approved the contract for an initial two-year period, with eight additional one-year extensions; and

WHEREAS, the Christensen Consent Decree (Consent Decree) and subsequent court orders in *Christensen v. Sullivan, No. 96-CV-1835*, as currently stated, provide for Wellpath as the contracted-for-medical-services provider at the House of Correction (HOC) and County Jail; and

WHEREAS, the initial two-year term is set to expire on March 30, 2021, and Wellpath is offering to contract at a reduced annual price for each of the next eight years; and

WHEREAS, standards have been developed by leading experts in the fields of health, mental health, law, and corrections, and the standards are nation-wide recommendations for managing the delivery of medical and mental health care in correctional systems; and

WHEREAS, these essential standards have guided the field toward continual improvement of care for the incarcerated, strengthening organizational effectiveness and reducing the risk of adverse legal judgments; and

WHEREAS, the standards are also the foundation of National Commission on Correctional Health Care's (NCCHC's) accreditation program; and

WHEREAS, Wellpath has been providing a comprehensive program of medical, dental, and mental health services, compliant with the NCCHC's standards, and the Consent Decree; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds were requested in the HOC's 2021 Budget request for this contract; and

47 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of December 10, 2020,
48 recommended adoption of File No. 20-877 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,
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50 BE IT RESOLVED, the Assistant Superintendent, House of Correction, is hereby
51 authorized to execute a five-year contract in the amount of \$109,158,136 with Wellpath,
52 LLC, for the five-year period beginning March 31, 2021, through March 31, 2026,
53 followed by three optional, one-year extensions.
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