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(ITEM) From the Director of Employee Benefits, Department of Human Resources, requesting authorization to renew the current contract with Dental Associates with a 5% rate increase effective January 1, 2015, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County contracts with Dental Associates for fully-insured Dental Maintenance Organization (DMO) dental coverage; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County’s contract with Dental Associates is due for renewal in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Dental Associates has proposed a renewal for 2015 at a 5% increase from the current rate; and

WHEREAS, Dental Associates is uniquely positioned in the Milwaukee market to provide DMO dental coverage and services to Milwaukee County employees; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County, in coordination with Willis of Wisconsin, assessed Milwaukee County’s claims utilization and national DMO rate trends, and found the renewal proposal to be favorable; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Director of Employee Benefits, Department of Human Resources, is hereby authorized to renew the contract with Dental Associates effective January 1, 2015.