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(ITEM) From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to enter into a 2014 Contract with the State of Wisconsin for social services and community programs, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Sections 46.031 and 49.325 of the Wisconsin Statutes require that Milwaukee County enter into contracts with the State Departments of Health Services and Children and Families for social services and community programs (otherwise referred to as "Community Aids"); and

WHEREAS, while formal contracts have not yet been submitted by the State, the State has provided an advisory notification of funding for 2014 for social services and community programs; and

WHEREAS, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) staff have compared revenues in the State's Advisory Notification to revenues that were anticipated in the 2014 Budget, and based on the notification, the contract is expected to include \$63,477,145 (Community Aids of \$32,022,299, earmarked revenues of \$21,265,626, and a Children's Long-Term Support allocation for a third party administrator of \$10,189,220) after adjusting for a Family Care intercept amount of \$8,305,873 and Income Maintenance intercept amount of \$2,700,000; and

WHEREAS, one major change in the contract compared to 2013 is a one percent (1%) reduction in Basic County Aids revenue by the State of Wisconsin due to federal sequester cuts, which reduces the contract by about \$340,000 and creates a tax levy gap of \$168,578; and

WHEREAS, it is in the County's best interest to execute contracts in a timely manner to improve cash flow and maximize interest earnings; and

WHEREAS, the County will not receive any State Community Aids revenue until the County Board has authorized the DHHS Director to execute the contract; and

WHEREAS, in light of the above, the Director of DHHS is requesting authorization from the County Board to execute the contracts for social services and community programs, so the contract can be executed in a timely manner once it is received from the State of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Health and Human Needs, at its meeting of December 11, 2013, recommended adoption of the Department's request (vote 7-0); and

45 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of
46 December 12, 2013, also recommended adoption of the Department's request (vote 9-0);
47 now, therefore,

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49 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director of the Department of Health and Human
50 Services, or his/her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with the
51 Wisconsin Departments of Health Services and Children and Families covering Social
52 Services and Community Programs for the period January 1, through December 31, 2014,
53 and any addendum thereto.

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