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From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to execute a contract with the State Department of Children and Families and to accept \$35,714,663 in revenue (excluding corrective sanctions) and any addendum thereto to provide Community Youth and Family Aids, for the period effective January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 301.031, Wisconsin State Statutes, requires counties to execute an annual contract with the State Department of Children and Families (DCF) for the “Community Youth and Family Aids Program,” and departments must obtain authorization from the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors in order to execute contracts in excess of \$300,000; and

WHEREAS, the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is requesting authorization to enter into the 2017 contract with the State of Wisconsin (the State) DCF for the provision of juvenile justice services mandated by State law, and Milwaukee County (the County) cannot receive 2017 revenue from the State until this contract is signed; and

WHEREAS, the State will provide the County with \$35,714,663 of Youth Aids funding in 2017 (excluding corrective sanctions) which is \$334,834 less than budgeted in 2017 or \$346,138 lower compared to the 2016 contract for State charges and County community-based programs; and

WHEREAS, the reduction in revenue is primarily due to a declining number of placements in State juvenile corrections institutes with the most recent years used in the formula reflecting total placements in 2012, 2013, and 2014 as 310, 253, and 264, respectively; and

WHEREAS, DHHS will work with the County’s Government Affairs Office on proposed changes to the Youth Aids formulae to promote a greater investment in corrections alternatives; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Health and Human Needs, at its meeting of December 7, 2016, considered this resolution for information only; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of December 8, 2016, recommended adoption of the Director’s request (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract with the State Department of Children and Families covering Community Youth and Family Aids for the period effective January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017, and any addendum thereto.

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