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(ITEM NO. 6767) From the Director, Office for Persons with Disabilities, requesting authorization to contract with Easter Seals Southeastern Wisconsin for a period of three years, beginning January 1, 2013 and concluding December 31, 2015, to provide program planning and service provision for the Wil-O-Way Recreation program, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Commission for Persons with Disabilities (Commission) has been established by Chapter 73 of the General Ordinances of Milwaukee County to promote independence for handicapped and disabled persons; and

WHEREAS, the Office for Persons with Disabilities has assumed the responsibility of operating Milwaukee County's Wil-O-Way Recreation program since January 1, 2002; and

WHEREAS, over 500 citizens including children and adults with a variety of disabilities are served by programming through Wil-O-Way which is otherwise not readily available throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, the Wil-O-Way program at Underwood and Grant Parks operate year round afternoon, evening and weekend programs and annually sponsors a six week summer camp, family events, and community outings for persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, THE Wil-O-Way Recreation program offers recreation programming at various recreational venues throughout the County including County golf courses, swimming pools and non County venues; and

WHEREAS, Easter Seals Southeastern Wisconsin has responsibly assumed coordination of summer day camp transportation, course registration, and some administrative and management of facilities and equipment; and

WHEREAS, Easter Seals Southeastern Wisconsin is an experienced recreation provider and has been responsible for providing this service to the Wil-O-Way program since 2002; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize and direct the Director, Office for Persons with Disabilities, to contract with Easter Seals Southeastern Wisconsin to provide program planning and implementation of the Wil-O-Way Recreation Program for a period between January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2015 ; and

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BE IT FURTHER resolved that the Office for Persons with Disabilities will continue to provide guidance and monitor the Wil-O-Way Recreation program.

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