

FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

1 By Supervisors Cullen, Borkowski, Haas, Bowen, Alexander and Taylor  
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3 **A RESOLUTION**

4 authorizing and directing the Director of Audits to initiate an audit of the  
5 procurement of paratransit services by Milwaukee Transport Services on behalf of the  
6 Milwaukee County Transit System  
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9 WHEREAS, in June 2012, Milwaukee Transport Services (MTS), which operates  
10 the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) through a contractual agreement with  
11 the County, issued a request for proposals (RFP) for paratransit services beginning  
12 November 1, 2012; and  
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14 WHEREAS, under the current arrangement with MTS, the Milwaukee County  
15 Board of Supervisors does not review or approve transit service contracts, including  
16 paratransit services; and  
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18 WHEREAS, a March 17, 2013, article in the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*,  
19 outlined a flawed procurement process for paratransit services in 2012 that eventually  
20 led to a three-year emergency contract that purportedly will cost taxpayers \$8.6 million  
21 more than the original bids over the life of the contract; and  
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23 WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors supports an audit of the  
24 2012 paratransit service contract entered into by MTS on behalf of the MCTS to better  
25 understand the facts surrounding the procurement of paratransit services, including the  
26 financial implications, and consider any recommended improvements to the process  
27 that is currently in place; now, therefore,  
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29 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors does  
30 hereby authorize and direct the Director of Audits to conduct an audit of the emergency  
31 contract entered into by Milwaukee Transport Services in 2012 for paratransit services  
32 on behalf of the Milwaukee County Transit System to better understand the facts of the  
33 procurement, including the related financial implications, and any recommendations to  
34 improve the current process.