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(ITEM ) From the Chief Judge, First Judicial District, Combined Court Related Operations, and the Clerk of Circuit Court, requesting authorization to enter into an agreement with Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee to provide Guardian Ad Litem services in the amount of \$2,179,125 for calendar year 2016, \$2,205,170 for calendar year 2017, and \$2,230,694 for calendar year 2018, for a total amount of \$6,614,989, by recommending adoption of the following:

**A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, on July 27, 2015, Milwaukee County (the County) issued a Request for Proposals for Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) services for our Children’s Division and Family Division court cases; and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2015, the County received two applications for GAL services for the period of 2016-2017 with a potential one-year extension; and

WHEREAS, a committee was set up to review the applications and Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee was selected as the agency to be awarded the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services, at its meeting of December 3, 2015, recommended adoption of the Chief Judge’s and Clerk of Circuit Court’s request (vote 5-0); and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of December 10, 2015, also recommended adoption of the Chief Judge’s and Clerk of Circuit Court’s request (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Chief Judge and the Clerk of Circuit Court to enter into a contract with Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee in the amount of \$2,179,125 for 2016; \$2,205,170 for 2017; and \$2,230,694 for 2018 with a possible one-year extension; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the 2017 and 2018 contract funds will be reflected in the Budget requests for those corresponding years.