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(ITEM *) From the Clerk of Circuit Court requesting authorization to enter into a contract with the Legal Aid Society.

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Clerk of Circuit Court is requesting permission to enter into a three-year contract with the Legal Aid Society. The amount for the first year of the contract, from January 1 through December 31, 2013 will be \$1,814,400, the second year, from January 1 through December 31, 2014 will be \$1,834,000, and the third year, from January 1 through December 31, 2015 will be \$1,859,200;
And

WHEREAS, this contract allows legal staff from the Legal Aid Society to act as Guardians ad litem in Milwaukee County court cases involving indigent parties, as appointed by the Courts; and

WHEREAS, this contract is the result of a Request for Proposal process and also is the continuation of a long-standing and successful relationship between the Courts and the Society;

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds in the budget to cover the cost of this contract; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract between Milwaukee County and the Legal Aid Society is authorized to allow legal staff to act as Guardians ad litem in Milwaukee County Family and Children's court cases involving indigent parties, as approved by the courts.

Fiscal

The cost of the contract is \$1,814,400 in 2013, \$1,834,000 in 2014 and \$1,859,200 in 2015. There are sufficient funds in the Combined Courts Related Operational budget to cover these costs within accounts 0001-200-2821-6108 (Professional Services Recurring) and 0001-200-2861-6108 (Professional Services Recurring).