

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**DATE: March 24, 2022**

**AMENDMENT NO. 1 to Item # 56**

**Resolution File No. 22-433**

**Ordinance File No.**

**COMMITTEE: Judiciary, Safety and General Services**

**OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR(S): Clancy, Ortiz-Velez, and Coggs-Jones**

**ADD AND/OR DELETE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Add the following BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED clauses beginning at or near line 78:**

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby supports the establishment of Mental Health Treatment Courts to serve individuals who have committed nonviolent crimes and provide them with needed services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors favors the establishment of Mental Health Courts that do not intentionally direct more people with mental illnesses into the judicial system or force individuals to plead guilty to any charges as a requirement for diversion or services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors supports Mental Health Courts that provide individuals with access to advocates and counselors independent of their legal counsel who can address their individual needs, during and after the legal proceedings have concluded, including connecting them to needed community services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors supports Assembly Bill 815 and Senate Bill 791 and encourages their passage by the Wisconsin State Legislature and adoption by the Governor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby requests the Office of Government Affairs communicate the contents of this legislation to the Wisconsin State Legislature and Governor, as well as the Milwaukee County Mental Health Board, and supports any state or federal legislation that achieves the goal of establishing Mental Health Treatment Courts in Milwaukee County.