Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting the creation of a 1.0 FTE Caregiver Coordinator position in the Aging and Disabilities Services Division, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in March 2021, Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) legislation (Public Law 117-2) was signed into law, which included over \$1.4 billion in additional Older Americans Act (OAA) funding for states and local area agencies on aging; and

WHEREAS, per Federal regulations, OAA dollars must be spent on older adults with the greatest economic and social need, with particular attention to people of color with the greatest economic and social need; and

WHEREAS, older adults were particularly affected by the Coronavirus Disease pandemic, as were their caregivers, and thus Area Agencies on Aging received additional segregated ARPA funding under the OAA, and Title III-E of the OAA provides funding for a National Family Caregiver Support Program; and

WHEREAS, funding for Family Caregiver Support Program of approximately \$200,806, within a larger contract of \$2.1 million with the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services, has already been authorized through Adopted File No. 22-144; and

WHEREAS, the Caregiver Coordinator will assist Milwaukee County (the County) residents in understanding, accessing, and utilizing supportive caregiver resources, including the National Family Caregiver Support Program, and the Alzheimer's Family Caregiver Support Program; and

 WHEREAS, the Caregiver Coordinator will connect the County to statewide and national family caregiver support initiatives, conduct outreach and community education, assist eligible residents to enroll in and utilize funding available to the County for caregiver support, provide administrative support and record-keeping for the utilization of those funds, coordinate consistent referrals for caregivers to other social supports, and allow the County to expand the funding support available to family caregivers; and

WHEREAS, the Caregiver Coordinator will serve caregivers of adults with disabilities (age 18-end of life) and older adults (age 60-end of life); and

 WHEREAS, the request to create this new position in the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) will increase the County's capacity to provide high quality caregiver supports to residents in concert with DHHS's No Wrong Door service delivery initiative, provide an expert on caregiving policy and resources, and increase access for residents in communities of color to receive timely and needed caregiver support, improving racial and health equity, in alignment with the County's strategic mission; and

WHEREAS, there will be no tax levy impact for this position; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Personnel, at its meeting of July 12, 2022, recommended adoption of File No. 22-757 (vote 4-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and approves the creation of one, Full-Time Equivalent (FTE), Caregiver Coordinator position to be filled beginning in Pay Period 19:

Action	Title	Number of Positions	Current Pay Grade
Create	Caregiver Coordinator	1.0 FTE	29M (\$62,911-\$75,377 annually)

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