File No. 22-971

Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to execute a 2022 fee-for-service agreement with Racine County and to transfer \$350,000 from the unallocated contingency to finance this item for Children, Youth and Family Services, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Children, Youth, and Family Services Division (CYFS), Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), operates a 127-bed detention center at the Vel R. Phillips Youth and Justice Center, and since September 2021, the census has been gradually rising with a record high of 150 youth in May 2022, compared to an average census of 89 over the last 10 years; and

WHEREAS, the CYFS-DHHS leadership team, and the Director and Jail Inspector, Office of Detention Facilities (Detention Facilities), met on June 14, 2022, to discuss concerns for the safety of youth and staff, as well as plans to address the high population, and was strongly encouraged to utilize other existing detention facilities, specifically Racine County, to place up to 10 youth as soon as possible; and

WHEREAS, as an outcome of the meeting, CYFS-DHHS submitted a plan to the Detention Facilities, outlining efforts to provide a safe and secure facility exploring the feasibility for youth to be transferred and housed at Racine County on a short-term basis, until the census consistently remains below the licensed capacity of 127 youth; and

WHEREAS, the daily rate charged by Racine County is \$325 for the general population, and \$540 for the Alternatives to Corrections Through Education Program; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning, at its meeting of September 7, 2022, considered File No. 22-971 for informational purposes only, per Section 59.52(31)(d), Wisconsin State Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of September 15, 2022, recommended adoption of File No. 22-971 (vote 6-1); now, therefore,

 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board) hereby authorizes the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), or her designee, to execute a 2022 Fee-for-Service Contract (the Contract) with Racine County not-to-exceed \$350,000, for the period of June 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022; and

 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board authorizes and directs the
Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance, and the Office of the Comptroller, to
transfer funds in the amount of \$350,000 from Org. Unit 1940-1945—Appropriation for
Contingencies to the Children, Youth, and Family Services Division, DHHS, to provide
funding for the Contract identified in this resolution.

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