From the Executive Director of Milwaukee of County Parks, requesting authorization to enter into any and all contracts and take all actions necessary to effectuate a \$8,000,000 grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the South Shore Beach Rehabilitation project in the Milwaukee Estuary Area of Concern, by recommending adoption of the following:

## **A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the United States (U.S.) - Canada Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement defines Areas of Concern (AOC) as "geographic areas designated by the Parties where significant impairment of beneficial uses has occurred as a result of human activities at the local level;" and

WHEREAS, there are 27 U.S. AOCs in the Great Lakes basin, including the Milwaukee Estuary AOC; and

WHEREAS, the relocation of South Shore Park beach has been identified as an important project for addressing the Beach Closings/Recreational Restrictions Beneficial Use Impairment; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin (the State) Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is providing Milwaukee County (the County) with a grant agreement for \$8,000,000 to carry out the Scope of Work (SOW) for the South Shore Beach Rehabilitation Project in the Milwaukee Estuary AOC; and

WHEREAS, projects in the SOW will help with an overall goal of delisting the Milwaukee Estuary AOC; and

WHEREAS, the State DNR expects that it will have authority to execute the grant with the County by October 2023; and

WHEREAS, to meet State and Federal deadlines, the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture is requesting authority to prepare, review, approve, and execute all contracts, amendments, agreements, and any other documents, and take all actions required for the purpose of administering the grant; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks and Culture, at its meeting of September 12, 2023, considered File No. 23-851 for informational purposes only per Section 59.52(31)(d), Wisconsin State Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of September 14, 2023, recommended adoption of File No. 23-851 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, upon execution of the Grant Agreement (the Grant) between 46 Milwaukee County (the County) and the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural 47 Resources, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Department of 48 49 Parks, Recreation, and Culture, Department of Administrative Services (DAS), Office of Corporation Counsel, Risk Management Division-DAS, Office of Economic Inclusion-50 DAS, Office of the Comptroller, County Executive, and any other County Department 51 that may be necessary, to prepare, review, approve, and execute all contracts, 52 amendments, agreements, fund transfers, and any other documents, and take all 53 actions required for the purpose of administering the above-referenced grant to carry 54 out the Scope of Work for the South Shore Beach Relocation Project in the Milwaukee 55 Estuary Area of Concern that is attached to this file to expend the full Grant amount of 56 \$8,000,000. 57

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