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4 **AN AMENDED RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE**

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6 amending Chapter 106 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances to create
7 an additional Commissioner for the County Commission on Youth and expediting the
8 on-boarding process for appointees
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11 WHEREAS, in May 2022 the County Board adopted File No. 22-662, which re-
12 established the Milwaukee County Commission on Youth (“Youth Commission”); and
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14 WHEREAS, the Youth Commission serves as the representative body for youth
15 in Milwaukee County and makes advisory recommendations about policy and budgetary
16 decisions to the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors; and
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18 WHEREAS, the make-up of the Youth Commission consists of at least one (1)
19 commissioner per supervisory district and two (2) appointed co-chairs ~~but does not~~
20 ~~include residents aged 14-18 who have experienced housing insecurity;~~ and
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22 ~~WHEREAS, at the meeting of the Youth Commission on February 21, 2024,~~
23 ~~the Commissioners voted to request the County Board create an additional seat~~
24 ~~to represent youth that have experienced housing insecurity or are currently~~
25 ~~experiencing housing insecurity;~~ and
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27 WHEREAS, Section 106.03 of the Milwaukee County Code of General
28 Ordinances (MCGO) outlines the procedure for the application, selection, appointment,
29 and qualifications for the Youth Commission; and
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31 WHEREAS, the current procedure requires the selection committee to submit
32 names of applicants to the County Board for confirmation; and
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34 WHEREAS, due to the County Board meeting pattern, confirmation of Youth
35 Commissioners can take some time and delay the on-boarding process and shorten the
36 amount of time a youth serves on the Youth Commission; and
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38 WHEREAS, the Youth Commission meeting schedule to conduct business is
39 limited and an expedited appointment process would help facilitate full participation from
40 each of the districts; and
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42 WHEREAS, the Committee on Intergovernmental Relations, at its meeting of
43 July 8, 2024, recommended adoption of File No. 24-630 as amended (vote 4-0); now,
44 therefore,
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46 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby amends
47 Chapter 106 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances to ~~create an~~
48 ~~additional Commissioner for the County Commission on Youth for someone who~~
49 ~~has or is experiencing housing insecurity and~~ create an expedited on-boarding
50 process for appointees by adoption of the following:
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52 **AN ORDINANCE**

53 The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Milwaukee does ordain as follows:
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55 **SECTION 1.** Section 106.03 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances is
56 hereby amended as follows:
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58 106.03 – Selection of Commissioners.
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60 (2) *Selection Committee.* Upon adoption of this ordinance, an initial selection
61 committee shall be created to select the first youth commissioners. The initial
62 selection committee will consist of two (2) adults and three (3) youth (age
63 eighteen (18) or under) who will be jointly appointed by the county executive
64 and the county board chairperson. The initial selection committee shall review
65 all applications by utilizing published criteria and interview prospective
66 commissioners. The initial selection committee shall ~~appoint the first~~
67 ~~commissioners. submit the names of the first commissioners to the~~
68 ~~county board for confirmation.~~ Once seated, the commission on youth will
69 appoint from within its ranks a selection committee of not less than five (5)
70 commissioners. The selection committee will determine when applications may
71 be submitted, conduct application reviews, interview candidates, and **make**
72 **appointments to the commission. submit nNames of the appointees shall**
73 **be submitted** to the county board of supervisors **for confirmation as an**
74 **informational report. An appointee may immediately serve as a**
75 **commissioner for up to 90 days while county board confirmation is**
76 **pending.** In the event that an insufficient number of applications are received,
77 the remainder of the commission shall be jointly appointed by the county
78 executive and county board chairperson ~~and confirmed by the county board~~
79 ~~of supervisors.~~

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81 (3) *Qualifications.* At the time of selection, commissioners shall be a resident of
82 Milwaukee County and shall:

- 83 (a) Have achieved high school status;
84 (b) Currently attend high school or alternative school; and

85 (c) Have met other qualification criteria as established by the commission
86 under section 106.04

87 (4) *Commission make up.* The commission shall be made up of at least twenty
88 (20) youth including:

89 (a) At least one (1) commissioner per supervisory district

90 (b) County board chairperson appointee will serve as co-chair

91 (c) County executive appointee will serve as co-chair.

92 ~~(d) One (1) commissioner who has experienced housing insecurity~~
93 ~~or is currently experiencing housing insecurity.~~

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95 **SECTION 2.** The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective upon passage and
96 publication.

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