## County of Milwaukee INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE:

October 4, 2012

TO:

Sup. Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwomen, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

Sup. Peggy West, Chairperson, Committee on Health and Human Needs

FROM:

Stephanie Sue Stein, Director, Department on Aging

RE:

Request for authorization to accept an \$8,000 grant from the Helen Bader

Foundation to assist in printing the Faces of Aging 2012, a demographics report on Milwaukee County seniors to be published later this year in conjunction with the

2013-2015 Area Plan for Older People

I respectfully request that the attached resolution be scheduled for consideration by the Committee on Health and Human Needs at its meeting on October 24, 2012.

The attached resolution authorizes the Director, Department on Aging, to accept an \$8,000 grant from the Helen Bader Foundation to assist in printing the Faces of Aging 2012, a demographics report on Milwaukee County seniors to be published later this year in conjunction with the 2013-2015 Area Plan for Older People.

Milwaukee County must every three years submit a comprehensive Area Plan for Older People to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services – Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources. The plan is required under the federal Older Americans Act and constitutes Milwaukee County's application for approximately \$6,000,000 a year in federal and state grants for aging programs. The Department will submit the draft 2013-2015 Area Plan for Older People during the December board cycle for review and authorization by the County Board of Supervisors.

One aspect of the Area Plan involves an analysis of the demographics of older people residing in Milwaukee County to help assure that the programs and services provided through Department on Aging meet the service needs of that population. The Department, in partnership with the Center for Urban Population Health (UWM) and the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), has developed a comprehensive demographics report – Faces of Aging 2012 – to be published in December in conjunction with the Area Plan.

To help fund publication of Faces of Aging 2012, the Department applied for a grant from the Helen Bader Foundation to assist with printing the report. The Foundation accepted our grant request for \$8,000 and approved awarding the grant to Milwaukee County. The Department needs authorization from the County Board and County Executive to receive the award funds. This report and attached resolution constitutes the Department's request for that authorization.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 2-6876.

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