Committee on Health and Human Needs,

We write to convey our support of the recommendation of the authorization of the Director of Health and Human Services to enter into contracts with nine municipal providers of advanced life support services for the Emergency Medical Services Division of Milwaukee County. We, collectively representing the North Shore Fire Department and seven municipalities of Milwaukee County, value the partnership between the County and the providers in provision of this important service and feel strongly that this contract has been negotiated to meet the needs of all parties involved. Recent discussion of entertaining issues that specifically pertain to certain municipal providers in separate contracts would definitely present conflicts in the continued provision of this service in a county wide format. We urge you to authorize the Director to enter into a contract with each of the nine providers that mirrors each other and does not provide individual modifications for each provider.

We would ask that this email be read into the record of the Health and Human Needs Meeting on December 12. 2012. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Fire Chief Robert C. Whitaker at (414) 357-0113 Extension 1117.

Respectfully,

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