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TO: Chairwoman Marina Dimitrijevic

FROM: Eloisa Gómez, Director
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RE: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR STAFFING
OF MILWAUKEE COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Background

Milwaukee County and the University of Wisconsin-Extension enter into a contract annually to provide professional staffing of the Milwaukee County Cooperative Extension office in the areas of Family Development, Youth Development, Horticulture and Community and Leadership Development. Within these agreements, the County provides for 40% of faculty and academic staff salary and fringe benefits and 100% of a county clerical assistant. Funding for travel reimbursement, a limited amount of hourly staffing and miscellaneous expenses is also provided by the county through this contract. In return, the University provides funding for 60% of faculty salary and fringe benefits and most professional development. The county's funding for this contract is provided in the 2013 adopted county budget for Cooperative Extension.

Through this contract, Milwaukee County residents have access to free or modestly priced programs such as food and nutrition education, youth development programming, and foreclosure prevention awareness. County-funded faculty receive ongoing professional development through its partnership with UW Cooperative Extension and research based information from the University system is shared with County employees who interface with the public on community issues on a regular basis.

In addition to faculty and academic staff hired through this contract, the county provides, through the normal county departmental budgeting procedures, funding for facility rental, clerical support and operational costs.

Action Requested

Approval of resolution authorizing the Chairman of the Parks, Energy and Environment Committee to execute a professional services contract with the University of Wisconsin-Extension for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 in the amount of \$157,614.

Fiscal Impact

Approval of this resolution will result in the expenditure of \$157,614 of funding as appropriated in the adopted 2013 Milwaukee County budget for Cooperative Extension.

Reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations are available.

University of Wisconsin, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin counties cooperating, UW-Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming including Title IX and ADA.