(ITEM) From the Director, Department of Transportation, requesting authorization to enter into a 2015 Mass Transit Paratransit Assistance Contract with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation pursuant to Section 85.205, Wisconsin Statutes, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, per Section 59.52(31), Wisconsin Statutes, approval of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors is required to enter into a contract that exceeds \$300,000; and

WHEREAS, Section 85.205, Wisconsin Statutes (2013-2015), creates an urban mass transit assistance program for the purpose of maintaining and maximizing paratransit service as defined by the federal Americans with Disabilities Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 20.395(1)(hq), Wisconsin Statutes, appropriates funds for the Mass Transit Paratransit Assistance Program, which in calendar year 2015 amounts to \$1,412,303 for Milwaukee County; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) has determined that Milwaukee County meets the eligibility requirements of the Mass Transit Paratransit Program, and accordingly \$1,412,303 is available for the Milwaukee County Transit System paratransit operations in 2015 upon execution of a contract with WisDOT; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Transportation, Public Works, and Transit, at its meeting of April 8, 2015, recommended adoption of the Director's request (vote 6-0); and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of April 16, 2015, also recommended adoption of the Director's request (vote 8-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Department of Transportation, is authorized to enter into a 2015 Mass Transit Paratransit Assistance Contract with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation pursuant to Section 85.205, Wisconsin Statutes, and to realize the 2015 budgeted operating revenue in support of the Transit Plus Program.

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