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(ITEM ) From the Director of the Department of Transportation, and the Managing Director of the Milwaukee County Transit System recommending Milwaukee County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) enter into Contract No. 02 with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) through adoption of the following.

**A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin and Midwest Environmental Advocates filed a lawsuit against federal transportation agencies and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) on behalf of Milwaukee Inner City Congregations Allied for Hope and the Black Health Coalition of Wisconsin for inadequately addressing needs of persons who rely on transit within the scope of the $1.7 billion Zoo Interchange Project; and

WHEREAS, a settlement between WisDOT and the plaintiffs specified that $2.875 million annually would be available for eligible services from July 2014 to September 2018; and

WHEREAS, Contract No. 01 between WisDOT and MCDOT was executed on June 20, 2014, and two bus routes were started in August 2014 and a third was started in January 2015; and

WHEREAS, about $2 million of the funds will be spent before Contract No. 01 expires and WisDOT is not permitting unspent funds to be rolled forward into subsequent years; and

WHEREAS, MCTS will reduce transit services started under Contract No. 01 to ensure that transit expenses do not exceed Contract No. 02 revenues; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, Milwaukee County Department of Transportation is authorized to enter into Contract No. 02 with WisDOT for transit services from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 as part of the Zoo Interchange project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that modifications to transit Routes 279 and 61 will be implemented, effective June 14, 2015, as necessary to remain within budget.