To:

Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb, Sr.

Chairman Intergovernmental Relations Committee

From:

Patricia L. Yunk

Assistant Director of Intergovernmental Relations

Date:

October 12, 2012

Re:

Milwaukee County Election Commission

Intergovernmental Cooperation Council (ICC) Resolution

Per your request, attached is the Resolution that was offered at the last ICC meeting held on October 8, 2012 in Brown Deer. The proposed resolution was item number X on the published agenda. The Resolution was adopted by the ICC with no objection from any voting member present, including the County Executive.

Further, per your request, I will distribute a copy of the complete Resolution Packet, to members of the Finance, Personnel and Audit Committee.

Cc: Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION COUNCIL'S (ICC) POSITION ON THE MILWAUKEE COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION'S SHIFT OF ELECTION PROGRAMMING COSTS UPON THE MUNICIPALITIES

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Election Commission has unilaterally instituted a policy of shifting election programming costs entirely upon the municipalities in direct conflict with the historical pattern and practice of prorating proportionally between levels of government; and

WHEREAS, this unilateral policy shift of programming costs is at odds with the December 2011 Election Administrative Manual that specifically states on page 171 that the preparation of programming for electronic voting systems can be prorated proportionally between levels of government; and

WHEREAS, this unilateral policy shift seems to be based upon an interpretation by Milwaukee County Corporation Counsel of Wis. Stat. Section 5.83, which does not refer to any parties' responsibility to pay costs, and is not pertinent governing law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the ICC requests that the Milwaukee County Election Commission reverse its unilateral policy change of shifting election programming costs upon the municipalities, and return to the historical policies in place before such shift.

Introduced and passed unanimously at a meeting of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Council on the 8th day of October, 2012.

Franklin Mayor Tom Taylor

Chairman I.C.C.

Oak Creek Mayor Steve Scaffidi

Vice-Chairman I.C.C.