

1 Supervisor Peggy A. West, Chairperson,
2 From the Committee on Finance and Audit, reporting on:

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4 File No. 16-342

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6 (ITEM) From the County Executive, requesting authorization to create the Office
7 on African American Affairs as an independent department; and authorizing an
8 appropriation transfer in the amount of \$300,000 from Org. Unit 1945-Appropriation for
9 Contingencies to the newly created department, by recommending adoption of the
10 following:

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12 **A RESOLUTION**

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14 WHEREAS, the 2016 Adopted Budget includes \$300,000 in allocated
15 contingency funding within Org. Unit 1945-Appropriation for Contingencies to establish,
16 staff, and operate the Office on African American Affairs (OAAA); and

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18 WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board)
19 provided policy guidelines for the OAAA through adopted File No. 15-636, which in part
20 states that the OAAA will advise the Milwaukee County Executive, County Board,
21 Milwaukee County department directors, and the general public on the views and needs
22 of African-American communities in Milwaukee County; and

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24 WHEREAS, the County Executive, who is solely empowered to create
25 departments and subunits thereof, has authorized a new department entitled OAAA,
26 and is requesting that the County Board confirm the future department head and
27 release funding that was contained in the 2016 Adopted Budget to operate the
28 department; and

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30 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of June 16,
31 2016, recommended adoption of the County Executive's request (vote 6-0); now,
32 therefore,

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34 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board)
35 hereby supports the creation of the Office on African American Affairs (OAAA), as
36 outlined in adopted File No. 15-636, which shall be created as an independent
37 department that shall be led by a director who is appointed by the County Executive and
38 subject to confirmation by the County Board; and

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40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Department of Administrative Services (DAS)
41 and the Office of the Comptroller are hereby authorized to create an independent
42 organizational unit for the OAAA; and
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, DAS and the Office of the Comptroller are authorized to process an appropriation transfer to allocate \$300,000 from the allocated contingency account of Org. Unit 1945-Appropriation for Contingencies to appropriate accounts within the newly created OAAA.

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