File No. 17-730

From the Superintendent, House of Correction, requesting authorization to amend an existing contract with the Benedict Center by $198,045, from $453,044 to $651,089, for case management and re-entry services provided to female offenders, and to extend the contract to a new term effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018, by recommending adoption of the following:

**A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Statutes Section 59.52(31)(c) requires that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors approve any contract with a value of more than $300,000; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County’s current contract with Benedict Center for female programming began on April 1, 2014, and expires on December 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the House of Correction (HOC) would like the Benedict Center to continue to provide and expand re-entry services to female offenders, which are designed to reduce women’s risk of recidivism; and

WHEREAS, the Benedict Center has an evidence based curriculum that is considered key for addressing criminogenic risks and re-entry needs; and

WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Helen Bader School of Social Welfare plans to finish a study in 2017-18 on the effectiveness of female programming provided by the Benedict Center for the HOC; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of December \_\_, 2017, recommended adoption of the Superintendent’s request (vote \_ - \_); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby

authorizes the Superintendent, House of Correction, or his designee, to execute a one-year contract extension with Benedict Center to provide female programming in the amount of $198,045, for the period effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018.