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From the Director, Office of Emergency Management, requesting authorization to execute a Professional Service Agreement with the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW) in the amount of \$289,000 annually for medical direction and consultation; with an additional \$131,407 in 2019 for medical support, which decreases annually beginning in 2020 by 25 percent until MCW takes full funding responsibility, for the period effective January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2023, by recommending adoption of the following:

**A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County (the County) began coordination of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) in 1973 with municipal and private EMS providers, area hospitals, and the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW); and

WHEREAS, the County closed its hospital in 1995, which subsequently led to the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisor's authorization of a Memorandum of Understanding between the County, Froedtert Memorial Lutheran Hospital, and the MCW for the provision of necessary medical direction; and

WHEREAS, MCW is ranked in the top one-third of all United States medical schools in research support by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), and in the top 5 percent worldwide in published new knowledge, to include eight journal articles involving the County's EMS system in recent years; and

WHEREAS, MCW has a tradition of pioneering medical and scientific "firsts", which are single-handedly due to our mutually advantageous, long-term relationship and access to the EMS system; and

WHEREAS, recent clinical trials involving cardiac arrest and stroke patients will advance future field treatments and result in the greater survival of our citizens experiencing medical emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the MCW Medical Director is a licensed physician per Chapter 448 of the Wisconsin State Statutes, board certified in emergency medicine and EMS by the American Board of Emergency Medicine (ABEM) and is appointed as a faculty member of MCW; and

WHEREAS, the MCW Medical Director, Associates and/or designee are subject to the direction and supervision of the Director, Office of Emergency Management (OEM), and OEM maintains the right to reject any individual appointed by MCW to serve as Medical Director or Associate, revoking MCW's approval of any such individual; and

WHEREAS, the term of this agreement begins January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2023, and allows for the provision of medical direction, consultation, and medical support to the OEM division of EMS; and

48 WHEREAS, this agreement reflects the aforementioned mutually advantageous  
49 relationship with MCW, by authorizing an annual payment of \$289,000 for the 24/7/365  
50 Medical Director(s), which is the same as the previous four-year agreement; and  
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52 WHEREAS, this agreement has a new addition of medical support to be provided  
53 by MCW at an initial cost to the County of \$131,407 in 2019, and beginning in 2020, the  
54 MCW will begin to assume financial responsibility for this service on a graduated scale  
55 of 25 percent each year until MCW has fully assumed the entire financial responsibilities  
56 for these services by 2023; and  
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58 WHEREAS, during the years of 2019-2022, OEM will offset medical support with  
59 the salary savings of not filling the vacant Director position within the EMS Division,  
60 (\$142,598) meaning this expenditure is absorbed within OEM's operating budget during  
61 these years; and  
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63 WHEREAS, the total savings to the County over the five-year agreement is  
64 \$374,469; and  
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66 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of December 6,  
67 2018, recommended adoption of File No. 18-880 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,  
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69 BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Office of Emergency Management is authorized  
70 to execute a Professional Service Agreement with the Medical College of Wisconsin  
71 (MCW) in the amount of \$289,000 annually for medical direction and consultation; with  
72 an additional \$131,407 in 2019 for medical support, which decreases annually  
73 beginning in 2020 by 25 percent until MCW takes full funding responsibility, for the  
74 period effective January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2023.  
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