Emergency Preparedness Funding Request for COVID-19, by recommending adoption of the following:

AN AMENDED RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Evers declared a public health emergency in response to local cases of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) across Wisconsin, and while there are no confirmed cases in Milwaukee County (the County) to-date, the County seeks to be proactive in regard to containing the spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) is requesting authorization to transfer \$1,000,000 in funds out of Org. Unit 1945-Appropriation for Contingencies (unallocated) in order to provide funding for emergency preparedness responses related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, from this \$1,000,000 amount, \$500,000 is requested to be transferred to new Capital Project WO72101-Laptops COVID-19 Emergency, for the acquisition of laptop computers and to enable telework needs for County employees that work from a desktop computer, but do not currently have a laptop, while the other \$500,000 is requested to be transferred new Capital Project WO72001-COVID19 Emergency to address potential future expenses related to COVID-19, which are yet to be determined; and

WHEREAS, new Capital Project WO72001-COVID-19 Emergency will provide budget authority to address potential future expenses (on an as needed basis) related to COVID-19 which are yet to be determined, and allow DAS and Office of Emergency Management to review and approve departmental expenditure requests to ensure they are related to COVID-19 issues; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of March 18, 2020, recommended adoption of File No. 20-288 as amended (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

 BE IT RESOLVED, the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) and the Office of the Comptroller (Comptroller) are authorized and directed to create new Capital Projects WO72101-Laptops Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Emergency, and WO72001-COVID-19 Emergency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, DAS and the Comptroller are authorized and directed to provide an appropriation transfer of \$500,000 from Org. Unit 1945 - Appropriation for Contingencies to new Capital Project WO72101-Laptops COVID-19 Emergency; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, costs for laptops already purchased or in the 47 48 process of being purchased to address COVID-19 service continuity issues may be applied to new Capital Project WO72101-Laptops COVID-19 Emergency; and 49 50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, DAS and the Comptroller are authorized and 51 directed to provide an appropriation transfer of \$500,000 from Org. Unit 1945 -52 Appropriation for Contingencies to new Capital Project WO72001-COVID-19 53 Emergency; and 54 55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, pending DAS and/or Office of Emergency 56 Management review and approval of departmental requests for COVID-19 issues, 57 COVID-19 related costs may be applied to new Capital project WO72001-COVID-19 58 59 Emergency:; and 60 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, all department should be tracking and 61 documenting all expenditures that they reasonably believe are related to the 62 63 public health emergency whether or not the expenditures will be included in these capital projects; and 64 65 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Milwaukee County, if it chooses to, may be 66 able to exceed the State of Wisconsin property tax levy limits in order to pay the 67 unreimbursed expenses related to the public health emergency. 68 69 70 71 srb 72 73 S:\Committees\2020\Mar\F&A\Resolutions\20-288 \$1 million emergency preparedness covid19.docx