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From the Medical Examiner, Medical Examiner’s Office, requesting authorization to enter into a contract to provide autopsy support to Racine County, by recommending adoption of the following:

**A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, Milwaukee and Racine County each have responsibilities under Sections 59 and 979 of the Wisconsin State Statutes, regarding the investigation of deaths occurring in its respective counties; and

WHEREAS, Racine County does not employ a board-certified Forensic Pathologist as its Medical Examiner; and

WHEREAS, Racine County has contracted with Milwaukee County to provide autopsy support since January 1, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the aggregate value of this transaction between Racine County and Milwaukee County exceeds \$300,000, so the 2021 through 2023 Autopsy Agreement (the Agreement) requires authorization by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, per Section 59.52(31)(c), Wisconsin State Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement will mutually benefit Racine County and Milwaukee County, as the revenue generated by this contract offsets current fixed costs of the Milwaukee County Medical Examiner’s Office; and

WHEREAS, the Medical Examiner’s 2021 Adopted Budget includes revenue generated from this contract; and

WHEREAS, the Committee of Finance, at its meeting of January 28, 2021, recommended adoption of File 20-932 (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Medical Examiner’s Office is authorized to enter into an Autopsy Agreement (the Agreement) with Racine County for a period of 36 months beginning January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2023, for a cost of \$1,700 per autopsy, a copy of which has been attached to and made a part of this file; and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, the aforementioned Agreement shall only be executed after review and approval by Corporation Counsel, Risk Management, and the Office of the Comptroller.