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4 **A RESOLUTION**

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6 supporting Milwaukee County’s commitment to pursuing clean energy and climate
7 change solutions by joining the Wisconsin Local Government Climate Coalition
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10 WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Local Government Climate Coalition (WLGCC)
11 coordinates the efforts of local governments that are pursuing clean energy and climate
12 change solutions in Wisconsin; and
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14 WHEREAS, the WLGCC and its member municipalities work to advance climate
15 change solutions throughout the state, with a focus on economic, health, and equity
16 benefits associated with climate action, which disproportionately affects people of color
17 and low-income citizens; and
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19 WHEREAS, some of the strategies employed by the WLGCC include increased
20 funding for energy efficiency, increased clean energy choices, increased data sharing
21 and transparency, increased resource efficiency in new and old buildings, and a state-
22 level plan to retire all coal plants by 2040 and all other fossil fuel generating facilities no
23 later than 2045, amongst many other policy initiatives; and
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25 WHEREAS, addressing climate change requires cooperation and action across
26 all levels and systems and, because Milwaukee County is the largest county in the state
27 of Wisconsin, its involvement in the organization facilitates solutions for nearly one
28 million residents; and
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30 WHEREAS, the goals of the WLGCC align with Milwaukee County’s commitment
31 to pursuing environmentally sustainable practices throughout its facilities and
32 operations; and
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34 WHEREAS, Milwaukee County adopted File No. 17-506, committing to the
35 principles and goals of the Paris Agreement for climate change awareness and the
36 reduction of emissions that contribute to climate change; and
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38 WHEREAS, there are no costs associated with joining the WLGCC; and
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40 WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment, at its meeting of
41 April 13, 2021, recommended adoption of File No. 21-390 (vote 5-0); now, therefore,
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43 BE IT RESOLVED, that Milwaukee County officially joins the Wisconsin Local
44 Government Climate Coalition; and

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Milwaukee County is committed to advancing
46 climate change solutions that benefit its residents and all residents in the state of
47 Wisconsin; and

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49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Director of Sustainability, Department of
50 Administrative Services is authorized to serve as the representative of Milwaukee
51 County and advocate on behalf of the County to support the mission of the Wisconsin
52 Local Government Climate Coalition.

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