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AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE CANNABIS ENFORCEMENT AND SUPPRESSION EFFORT (CEASE) PROGRAM

2024 RES-075

Marijuana is a drug grown within U.S. borders. The federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) is aggressively striving to halt the spread of cannabis cultivation in the United States. To halt the spread of marijuana cultivation in the United States, the DEA has initiated the domestic Cannabis Eradication and Suppression Effort (CEASE) Program, a nationwide grant program that exclusively targets marijuana.

Dane County Sheriff's Office is an active member agency involved in the CEASE Program, a law enforcement initiative directed at the reduction of cultivated and non-cultivated marijuana throughout the State of Wisconsin and provides financial support to state and local law enforcement agencies to curb marijuana cultivation, distribution and use.

The CEASE Program, administered by the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) will reimburse the Sheriff's Office, Drug Task Force for overtime expenses, supplies, and equipment related to the seizure of cultivated marijuana in Dane County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Dane County Executive is hereby authorized to execute a Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the County of Dane and, the Sheriff's Office is hereby authorized to accept grant funding, administered by the Wisconsin Department of Justice, for criminal investigations for state and local law enforcement agencies, to curb marijuana cultivation, distribution and use, in the amount of \$5,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that \$5,000 is appropriated in the Sheriff's Office revenue account line SHRFFLD 80537, CEASE Grant Revenue, and is credited to the General Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that \$5,000 is transferred from the General Fund to the following Sheriff's Office account lines:

Overtime – CEASE DCNTF (SHRFFLD NEW)	\$2,000
Retirement Fund (SHRFFLD 10099)	\$300
Social Security (SHRFFLD 10108)	\$150
Workers Compensation (SHRFFLD 10189)	\$50
	\$2,500
CEASE Grant Expense (SHRFFLD 30544)	\$2,500

TOTAL \$5,000

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that grant funds not expended as of December 31, 2024 be carried forward until fully utilized.