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3 **2021 RES-108**

4 **ACCEPTING STATE OF WISCONSIN EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS**
5 **DCDHS – HAA DIVISION**

6 As the COVID-19 pandemic recovery continues, the related crisis of the nation's
7 economic downturn has left many families facing continued unemployment and housing
8 instability.

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10 On December 27th, 2020, the federal government approved a \$900 billion COVID-19
11 relief bill authorizing additional funding to respond to the pandemic across multiple areas
12 of need. The act included \$25 billion in funding for emergency rental assistance (ERA 1).
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14 The CDC eviction moratorium is set to expire on July 31st, 2021. While previous
15 extensions of federal eviction moratoriums have helped stem a wave of evictions, the
16 moratoriums do not cancel rent or fees for late payment of rent. Many renters have fallen
17 behind on their rent due to continued economic hardship related to the COVID-19
18 pandemic's effect on our economy.

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20 The State of Wisconsin received over \$320 million dollars in ERA 1 from the December
21 2020 stimulus and is granting more than \$10.2 million of their allocation to support Dane
22 County's continued efforts to prevent widespread evictions and promote housing stability
23 for renters.

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25 This resolution seeks to accept the \$10.2 million from the State of Wisconsin.

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27 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Dane County Board of Supervisors
28 and the Dane County Executive hereby accept the \$10,224,183.27 emergency rental
29 assistance grant from the State of Wisconsin and that the Controller and County
30 Executive are authorized to execute documents necessary to accept the funds, and
31 submit reimbursement claims along with necessary supporting documentation.
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33 **BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED** that account 80000 NEW "State ERA I Expense" be
34 created with an appropriation of \$10,224,183.37 and that account 80000 NEW "State
35 ERA I Revenue" be created with an appropriation of \$10,224,183.37.
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37 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that prior to expenditures from this line that an initial
38 allocation plan be introduced by resolution and subject to County Board approval.
39 Additional resolutions shall be introduced to update and supplement the plan.
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41 **BE IT FINALLY RESOVLED** that unspent funds from 2021 be carried forward for
42 expenditure in 2022.