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OPPOSING STATE CHANGES TO ESSENTIAL HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS

Dane County pioneered the concept of self-directed supports in Wisconsin over 20 years ago in its services for people with developmental disabilities, and believes all its citizens who rely on publically funded long term care services should have access to quality services and the ability to make individual choices about those services.

Dane County believes that local control in providing services to people with developmental disabilities, seniors and people with physical disabilities as well as service administration and delivery in Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC's), and preserving local jobs is essential for the citizens of Dane County. Additionally, the Family Support Program has effectively supported children with disabilities and their families.

Dane County has succeeded in providing quality services for people with developmental disabilities that surpass national standards using a system built on local, flexible services and using existing Medicaid waivers (CIP and COP).

Medicaid Personal Services are essential to individuals' health, work and participation in their community as part of their long term care service.

Changes to the Family Care and IRIS programs, the precipitous elimination of the CIP and COP waivers, changes as proposed to the Family Support Program, to Medicaid Personal Care services, and to the current ADRC model in the Governor's proposed budget would have dire consequences for people with developmental disabilities, children with disabilities and their families, people with physical disabilities, and older adults in Dane County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors opposes changes to the Family Care and IRIS programs, the precipitous elimination of the CIP and COP waivers, changes as proposed to the Family Support Program, to Medicaid Personal Care services, and to the current ADRC model contained in the Governor's proposed budget.

34 Governor's proposed budget

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Scott
36 Walker, members of the Joint Finance Committee of the Wisconsin Legislature, and to
37 the members of the Dane County legislative delegation.