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AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO SIGN AN EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH CITY OF MADISON ANNUALLY, IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE ANNUAL JAG GRANT APPLICATIONS

The U.S. Department of Justice through the Office of Justice Programs annually designates the City of Madison to receive an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) award. Terms of the grant require Dane County and the City of Madison submit a joint application under one agency. The Mayor and County Executive annually must sign a required Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding a proposed plan for the allocation and administration of any funds awarded, and the MOU must be submitted with the grant application. The JAG Grant open solicitation period is very short and not sufficiently long enough for the City and County to put forth resolutions to their respective legislative bodies to authorize the respective chief executives to sign a MOU before the grant application deadline.

The City Attorney and Corporation Counsel review the MOU prior to any signatures. JAG awards funds are used for Madison Police Department and Dane County Sheriff's Office goods and services, as well as Dane County Drug Court and District Attorney Crime Response Program services. Before said funds are disbursed a resolution will be presented to the Common Council and the County Board.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Executive is authorized to sign an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Madison and Dane County annually, after review by Corporation Counsel; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that any Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funds awarded to the County also must be accepted and authorized by the County Board annually.