1 SUB to 2020 RES-431 (PROPOSED MILES)

CONTINUING DANE COUNTY'S COVID-19 FOOD PROGRAM AND APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK TO PURCHASE AND DISTRIBUTE FOOD TO DANE COUNTY FOOD PANTRIES

- Demand at Dane County food pantries has increased dramatically due to the economic
- devastation caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The county has successfully 6
- partnered with Second Harvest Food Bank since May of 2020 to address these needs. 7
- The county can ensure its most vulnerable populations continue to retain access to food 8
- 9 by continuing a food program to supplement the resources available to supply food
- pantries. The anticipated outcome is that food insecure residents need not go hungry in Dane 10
- 11 County because local food pantries have a secure source of food. The American Recovery Plan
- provides the county to continue its partnership with Second Harvest. 12

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- 14 The county has developed a contract with Second Harvest Food Bank to provide
- \$10,000,000 over twelve months from August 2021 through July 2022 for the purchase of 15
- 16 food and distribution to local food pantries. This continued monthly contract recognizes the
- ongoing needs and food insecurity of county residents, and also will allow a key partner, Second 17
- Harvest, to have a stable source of funding as they secure space as a base of operations for the 18
- coming year. Initially, Second Harvest operated out of the Alliant Energy Center, but now must 19
- 20 maintain alternate space to continue their operations.

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Second Harvest has provided the county with monthly reports since last May, which detail the pounds of food provided to each of 57 local pantries.

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, the County Board does hereby continue the COVID-19 Food Program as a program for relief and approves the contract with Second Harvest Food Bank in the amount of \$10 million from August 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022 and that the County Executive and County Clerk are authorized to execute the

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that account ADMADM 30026 "ARP Expenses" be increased by \$10,000,000 and account ADMADM 81367 "ARP REVENUE" be created with an appropriation of \$10,000,000, and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board requests the monthly Second Harvest reports be shared with members of the County Board, and that the Personnel and Finance Committee review the monthly reports on a quarterly basis and discuss how the information presented addresses anticipated program outcomes.

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- BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Department of Administration is hereby authorized 41 to manage the program and the Controller's Office is authorized to issue checks for 42
- 43 payment of invoices under this contract.

The substitute resolution underscores that the contract pays Second Harvest monthly until July 2022, that Second Harvest has been providing monthly reports since May of 2020, and requests that this information be shared with the County Board and discussed at the Personnel and Finance Committee.