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2021 RES-009

AUTHORIZING NEW HOUSING PROGRAM SPECIALIST PROJECT POSITIONS DCDHS – HAA DIVISION

6 The Dane County Department of Human Services (DCDHS) continues to play a substantial role 7 in Dane County's ongoing response to and recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. The DCDHS' 8 Housing Access and Affordability Division (HAA) has administered multiple emergency response 9 programs providing non-congregate shelter to prevent exposure to and spread of COVID-19 10 among households experiencing homelessness, eviction prevention and rental assistance, small

11 business assistance, and more.

12 In 2021, Dane County is expecting to receive millions of dollars in emergency rental assistance

13 (ERA) from the federal and state government. More than \$8.5 million was made available earlier

14 this year, and an additional \$10 million in ERA is anticipated to be granted to Dane County by the

15 State of Wisconsin. Finally, the County is estimated to receive \$6.5 million in additional ERA from

16 the recently passed American Rescue Plan, for an overall anticipated total of \$24 million dollars

17 in federal funds to manage.

18 The ERA currently being administered through contracts and partnerships with local agencies

19 requires technical assistance, diligent oversight, and program closeout to ensure compliance with 20

complex federal regulations and reporting.

21 In addition, the proposed multi-million dollar effort to provide non-congregate shelter guests with

22 two years of rental assistance and case management to assist households in finding permanent

23 housing will require robust staff engagement, coordination, monitoring, and compliance oversight 24 as well.

25 Additional staff capacity is required in the HAA Division to monitor these contracts and manage 26 Dane County's responsibilities related to ERA and other housing assistance. An additional 2.0 27 FTE Project Housing Program Specialists will be required.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that position authority in the Human Services 29 Department is increased by 2.0 FTE, effective 6/01/2021 so as to add 2.0 FTE Project Housing 30 Program Specialists (P10) within the HAA Division Org 6080 of the Department of Human 31 Services; and,

32 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the following revenue and expenditure accounts be adjusted in 33 the 2021 operating budget:

34 35 Revenue

| 36 37 38 39 | Account Number 80000 81367 | <u>Account Title</u> ARP Revenue | <u>Amount</u> <u>\$120,200</u> |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | Total Revenue | | \$120,200 |

| 40 | Expenditure | | |
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| 41 | Account Number | Account Title | <u>Amount</u> |
| 42 | 80000 10009 | Salary | \$78,200 |
| 43 | 80000 10099 | Retirement | \$6,200 |
| 44 | 80000 10108 | Social Security | \$6,000 |
| 45 | 80000 10117 | Health | \$29,400 |
| 46 | 80000 10153 | Dental | \$2,000 |
| 47 | 80000 10250 | Salary Savings | (\$1,600) |
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| 49 | Total Expenditures | | \$120,200 |
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