RESOLUTION OPPOSING DRAMATIC CUTS TO MEDICAID AND THE OLDER AMERICAN ACT FUDNING.

The Dane County Board of Supervisors requests and urges Congress not to make dramatic
cuts to Medicaid and the Older Americans Act funding in the proposed reconciliation bill.
Further, the Board of Supervisors urges citizens to contact their legislators to consider the
damage drastic cuts would cause to American citizens.

WHEREAS, Members of Congress are now meeting to consider which of the proposed \$2.17
 trillion in federal Medicaid cuts will be included in a reconciliation bill.

WHEREAS, the reconciliation bill will likely move quickly through Congress before details are fully understood and before the public and members of local government have the opportunity to provide feedback regarding the consequences of the impact.

- WHEREAS, Cuts to Medicaid could significantly reduce Medicaid reimbursements to the county
 for mandated programs such as Children's Long-Term Care for disabled children, Adult Family
 Care, or long-term elder care.
- WHEREAS, Federal Medicaid funding cuts will leave stated and counties with holes in the
 budget, that would then either become the responsibility of the state or county. The alternative
 would be to deny services for the disabled, elderly or mentally ill, causing harm to the well-being
 of citizens in our community or to cut other programs within the county that are not mandated.
- WHEREAS, Cuts to Medicaid and the Older American Act programs will hurt vulnerable
 individuals and families, the workers who provide these services, and the communities that must
 provide expensive crisis/hospital services when citizens experience health crises.
- WHEREAS, Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs) in Wisconsin offer a strong return
 on investment while significantly enhancing the well-being of individuals across the state. In
 2023, every \$1.00 invested into ADRCs in Wisconsin lead to a saving of \$3.88.
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- WHEREAS, Older American Act funding is necessary to continue the senior nutrition program,
 that includes Meals on Wheels, congregate dining, elderly transportation, and caregiving
 services.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors request
 and urges elected representative that Medicaid and Older American Act cuts not be included in
 budget reconciliation bills. The Dane County Board of Supervisors invites citizens to urge their
 legislators to reject proposals that reduce federal Medicaid funding and the Older Americans
 Act.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to state and federal
 legislators and the Wisconsin Counties Association.
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