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3 **2023 RES-127**

4 **AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN – MADISON SOIL**
5 **SCIENCE DEPARTMENT FOR DEMONSTRATION FARM RESEARCH**

6 In 2022, the Land & Water Resources Department (LWRD) secured a \$1,000,000 cooperative
7 agreement (2022 RES-173) through the United States Department of Agriculture – Natural
8 Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to establish a demonstration farm network in Dane
9 County. The cooperative agreement includes \$200,000 for two graduate students to assist with
10 on-farm research at demonstration farms through September 30, 2027.

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12 The contract includes \$50,000 annually for a total of \$200,000 to cover stipends and tuition for
13 two graduate students to conduct agricultural research at farms participating in the Dane County
14 demonstration farm network. The contract will run from September 2023 through September
15 2027. Dane County will be reimbursed the costs associated with the graduate students through
16 the cooperative agreement with NRCS.

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18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Intergovernmental contract be awarded to the
19 University of Wisconsin – Madison, Soil Science Department in the amount of \$200,000 for the
20 period of September 2023 through September 2027.

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22 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the County Clerk be authorized and
23 directed to sign the Contract.
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