

2  
3 **A SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION**  
4

5 **Opposing discrimination in all its forms and affirming Milwaukee County's commitment**  
6 **to value all people equally regardless of race, sex, class, religion, sexual orientation,**  
7 **gender identity and expression, disability, age, ancestry or nationality, ethnicity, political**  
8 **or religious affiliation, or creed**  
9

10  
11 **WHEREAS, President Trump on January 25<sup>th</sup> and January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017, issued**  
12 **Executive Orders in regard to refugee and immigrant matters, that will suspend the**  
13 **entire U.S. refugee resettlement program for 120 days, ban the arrival of Syrian**  
14 **refugees indefinitely, suspend travel from certain majority Muslim countries, and slash**  
15 **overall refugee admissions by at least 50 percent; and**  
16

17 **WHEREAS, President Trump's January 25<sup>th</sup> Executive Order lays the foundation**  
18 **of a mass deportation program through new immigration enforcement priorities that**  
19 **make all undocumented immigrants priorities for removal; and**  
20

21 **WHEREAS, President Trump's January 25<sup>th</sup> Executive Order on immigration**  
22 **intends to engage "local officials, for the purpose of preparing to enter into agreements**  
23 **under section 287(g)" in order "to authorize state and local law enforcement officials, to**  
24 **perform the functions of immigration;" and**  
25

26 **WHEREAS, additionally the 287(g) program, which allows Immigrations and**  
27 **Customs Enforcement (ICE) to delegate immigration enforcement to partners in state**  
28 **and local agencies, has been found to create "discriminatory policing practices" by the**  
29 **Federal Justice Department; and**  
30

31 **WHEREAS, President Trump has stated his intention to revive the Secure**  
32 **Communities Program (SCP), a program that dramatically increases the involvement of**  
33 **local law enforcement officials in immigration enforcement and diverts local resources**  
34 **to the detriment of public safety; and**  
35

36 **WHEREAS, SCP faced strong criticism for allowing officers to racially profile**  
37 **minorities, was found to violate Fourth Amendment rights by a federal judge, and**  
38 **needlessly broke up families by transferring people to ICE, regardless of their**  
39 **innocence or conviction for any crime; and**  
40

41 **WHEREAS, following federal court orders declaring ICE detainer requests**  
42 **unconstitutional under the 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment, hundreds of cities and counties mandated**  
43 **that their local law enforcement agencies cooperate with ICE detainer or notification**  
44 **requests only if the request was accompanied by a judge's warrant; and**

45 WHEREAS, President Trump's sweeping new immigration enforcement priorities  
46 make millions of people a priority for removal based solely on the judgment of a low-  
47 level Immigration Officer, violating people's constitutional rights to due process and a  
48 fair trial; as well as people who have committed a minor crime such as driving without a  
49 license or speeding, no matter if the offense was decades ago, and regardless of the  
50 person's ties to family and community; and

51

52 WHEREAS, in 2012 the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors approved a  
53 policy, File No. 12-135, that specified when ICE detainer requests would be honored,  
54 emphasizing that people who do not represent a threat to public safety should not be  
55 targeted, and requested that the Office of the Sheriff abide by the policy; now,  
56 therefore,

57

58 BE IT RESOLVED, that no matter the threats made by President Trump,  
59 Milwaukee County will prioritize keeping families together and will remain a safe place  
60 for immigrants who contribute to the richness and vibrancy of the community; and

61

62 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Milwaukee County will continue to work for  
63 the realization of women's rights, whether in healthcare, the workplace, or any other  
64 area; and

65

66 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Milwaukee County banned discrimination  
67 based on gender identity in 2014, issued the first same-sex marriage licenses in  
68 Wisconsin, and continues to work toward equal rights for all Milwaukee County  
69 residents; and

70

71 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that to all LGBTQ people in Milwaukee County  
72 and across the United States, who feel scared, bullied, or alone: Milwaukee County will  
73 never stop fighting for you and your rights; and

74

75 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Milwaukee County believes in this nation's  
76 founding principle of religious freedom, the county will not ban people for their faith; and  
77 declares support for refugee families who have built their lives in Milwaukee County and  
78 now cannot be reunited with loved ones, and condemn the arbitrary and discriminatory  
79 changes to refugee policy that go against our nation's principles; and

80

81 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Black Lives Matter in Milwaukee County; and

82

83 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Milwaukee County, guided by President  
84 Obama's Task Force on 21st Century Policing, will continue to advocate for reforms in  
85 local law enforcement and work to rebuild trust between police and communities of  
86 color so all citizens feel safe in their neighborhoods; and

87           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board urges the United States  
88 Department of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to add courts to its  
89 sensitive locations policies, and encourages the Chief Judge of Milwaukee County to  
90 request that ICE agents not carry out enforcement actions in or around Milwaukee  
91 County Courthouse grounds; and

92           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Board opposes the use of  
93 Section 287(g) Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) agreements, and urges the Office  
94 of the Sheriff to refuse to enter into Section 287(g) agreements with ICE; and

95           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Milwaukee County will not honor detainer  
96 requests unless the request is accompanied by a federal judge's court order or warrant;  
97 and

98  
99  
100           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon adoption, the Milwaukee County Office  
101 of Government Affairs is authorized and requested to deliver a copy of this resolution to  
102 the Milwaukee County Sheriff, the Milwaukee County Chief Judge, the U.S. Department  
103 of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the Milwaukee County Congressional  
104 Delegation, and the President of the United States.  
105