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Jennifer Thompson

#### RESOLUTION ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Jennifer Thompson INITIATED BY

<u>Human Services Board</u> SUBMITTED BY



Creating 1.0 FTE Information & Assistance Specialist for the ADRC and 1.0 FTE Adult Protective Services/WATTS Position and Amending the 2016 HSD Budget

WHEREAS, the Family Care bill was signed by Governor Walker on Tuesday, January 26, 2016. It requires the Family Care Benefit and self-directed services options to be provided to citizens in Rock County and implemented beginning July 1, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, preparation for Family Care involves re-screening for functional eligibility for approximately 450 people on the wait lists; this includes frail elders, individuals with developmental disabilities and physical disabilities. In addition, approximately 1000 people (of the same target groups) will be provided enrollment counseling regarding the new Family Care benefits and assistance through transition into the new benefit of their choice; and,

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WHEREAS, As the "gateway to public funding" for the residents of Rock County, and as the "One-Stop-Shop" for individuals in search of services and/or resources, the ADRC requires adequate staff so that all people who are eligible for the Family Care benefit and who need assistance can access the available services without delay; and,

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WHEREAS, due to the magnitude of numbers, the complexity of the programs, and the growth in the ADRC since opening in 2013, HSD needs another 1.0 FTE Information & Assistance Specialist (I&A) in the ADRC to address the projected workload increase; and,

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WHEREAS, in addition, as the Family Care benefit is implemented, Rock County will receive additional Elder Abuse Funds (total of \$184,253 annually per DHS 2015-01 Fiscal Update Memo #1). These APS funds must be used to cover the cost of service coordination, respite and to assist a client to leave a neglectful-abusive situation; and,

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WHEREAS, currently, HSD has 1.0 FTE allocated to this position, however, the increase in abusive/neglectful incidents has gone up and are time consuming. Therefore, another 1.0 FTE Adult Protective Services (APS)/WATTS position is needed to assist with the APS investigations and complete all protective placement/WATTS reviews for HSD.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this \_\_//\*\* day of \_Follow\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. 2016 does hereby approve creating 1.0 FTE Information and Assistance Specialist for the ADRC and 1.0 FTE Adult Protective Services/WATTS position.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 2016 HSD budget be amended as follows:

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36		Budget	Increase	Amended
37	Account/Description	<u>2/01/16</u>	(Decrease)	<b>Budget</b>
38	Source of Funds:			
39	36-3683-0000-42100/	521,531	30,705	552,236
40	Federal Aid			
41	36-3683-0000-42200/	930,919	52,282	983,201
42	State Aid			
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44	<u>Use of Funds:</u>			
45	36-3683-0000-61100/	730,170	60,886	791,056

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46	Regular Wages				
47	36-3683-0000-61400/	55,867	4,658	60,525	
48	FICA				
49	36-3683-0000-61510/	48,189	4,018	52,207	
50 51	Retirement 36-3683-0000-61610/	272,190	10,984	283,174	
5 <u>1</u>	Health Insurance	272,170	10,704	205,174	
53	36-3683-0000-61620/	7,442	431	7,873	
54	Dental Insurance				
55	36-3683-0000-61630/	275	10	285	
56 57	Life Insurance 36-3683-0000-67130/	1,000	2,000	3,000	
58	Terminals and PCs	1,000	2,000	3,000	
	Respectfully submitted,				
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FINANCE COMMITTEE ENDORSEMENT

Reviewed and approved on a vote of 5.6.

Mary Mawhinney, Chair Date

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### FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution creates 2.0 FTEs in the Human Services Department. The full cost of these position will be covered by state and federal revenue.

Sherry Oja Finance Director

#### LEGAL NOTE:

County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to § 59.22(2), Wis. Stats. As an amendment to the adopted 2016 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis A Stats.

Jeffrey 6. Kuglitsch Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

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Josh Smith

Lounty Administrator

#### **Executive Summary**

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The Family Care bill was signed by Governor Walker on Tuesday, January 26, 2016. It requires the Family Care Benefit and self-directed services options to be provided to citizens in Rock County and implemented beginning July 1, 2016.

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As the "gateway to public funding" for the residents of Rock County, and as the "One-Stop-Shop" for individuals in search of services and/or resources, the ADRC requires adequate staff so that all people who are eligible for the Family Care benefit and who need assistance can access the available services without delay.

Due to the magnitude of numbers, the complexity of the programs, and the growth in the ADRC since opening in 2013, HSD needs to create another 1.0 FTE Information & Assistance Specialist (I&A) in the ADRC to address the projected workload increase.

In addition, as the Family Care benefit is implemented, Rock County will receive additional Elder Abuse Funds (total of \$184,253 per DHS 2015-01 Fiscal Update Memo #1). These funds must be used to cover the cost of service coordination, respite, needed supplies, housing, and any expenses related to assisting a client to leave a neglectful-abusive situation. Currently, HSD has 1.0 FTE allocated to fund this positon. However, the increase in abusive/neglectful incidents has gone up 10% in 2013 and another 18% in 2014. These cases are also time consuming and can involve multiple disciplines including court services, guardianship, and protective placements/WATTS reviews. It is expected that these numbers will continue to rise with more clients served by Family Care MCO's.

Therefore, HSD requests creation of a 1.0 FTE Information & Assistance Specialist for the ADRC and 1.0 FTE Adult Protective Services (APS)/WATTS position to assist with the APS investigations and complete all protective placement/WATTS reviews.