

**RESOLUTION APPROVING CONSOLIDATION OF DEPARTMENTS CONDITIONED UPON SALE OF VACATED BUILDINGS**

**WHEREAS**, Wis. Stat. § 59.52(6)(c) permits the Marathon County Board of Supervisors to sell or convey county property on such terms that the board approves; and

**WHEREAS**, Marathon County Administration has requested to consolidate certain county departments and employees in a single location at the North Central Health Care (NCHC) campus; and

**WHEREAS**, Marathon County Administration's goal with the requested change is to reduce the number of buildings occupied by Marathon County staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost of consolidation is estimated as \$3,879,458 for renovation of existing NCHC campus buildings with \$233,000 for moving a critical IT hub and \$221,850 for new signage; and

**WHEREAS**, divesting of extra buildings is intended to yield expense savings in utilities and services like snowplowing and custodial services; and

**WHEREAS**, the taxpayers of Marathon County should receive the most financial return for the divesting of property assets; and

**WHEREAS**, the proceeds from the sale of the properties will offset the \$4,334,308 in additional investments required to make the strategic move a good financial decision and be applied to future debt service for Marathon County's portion of the NCHC bond payments.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Marathon County Board of Supervisors approves the use of up to \$4,334,308 in the 2024 Budget for the consolidation of departments at NCHC on the condition that the buildings being vacated will be listed for sale at appraised value (yet to be determined) and be sold to the highest bidder, either public or private, as intended by administration in providing additional savings in utilities and other facilities services.

Respectfully submitted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

**HUMAN RESOURCES, FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

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**Fiscal Note:** This resolution would condition the use of the identified budgeted funds in the amount of up to \$4,334,308 to require that any vacated properties be sold, with sale proceeds utilized towards debt service.

**Legal Note:** This resolution requires a simple majority vote of the County Board, as it is included as a policy statement within the 2024 annual budget .