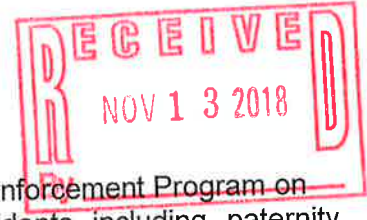


RESOLUTION NO. 28 (2018-2019)



SUBJECT: Support of Increased Child Support Funding

WHEREAS, Waupaca County administers the Child Support Enforcement Program on behalf of the state, providing services to Waupaca County residents including paternity establishment, obtaining child support and health insurance orders for children, and enforcing and modifying those orders; and

WHEREAS, our children's well-being, economic security and success in life are enhanced by parents who provide financial and emotional support; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program is ranked 2nd in the nation for collecting current support; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's Child Support Enforcement Program demonstrates return on investment by collecting an average of \$5.56 in support for every dollar invested in the program; and

WHEREAS, County child support agencies collected \$934 million in child support in 2017, 95% of which went directly to families while 5% reimbursed public assistance programs and Waupaca County Child Support Agency collected \$8,362,347 in child support in 2017; and

WHEREAS, State funding for county child support services has not increased above the 2007 funding level while county agency costs have steadily increased; and

WHEREAS, decreased federal funding would lead to less funding for Waupaca County's child support agency, potentially leading to reductions in child support staff and services and reduced child support collections; and

WHEREAS, new state investments in child support are amplified by a federal match; that is, every \$1 of state GPR invested in the Child Support Program generates \$2 in federal matching funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Waupaca County Board of Supervisors respectfully requests that state funding for county child support agencies be increased by \$1.5 million GPR in each fiscal year of the 2019-21 Wisconsin state budget, which will generate approximately \$3 million in additional federal funding each year.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the County Clerk to the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, Waupaca County's State Senators and Representatives, the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Administration, and the Wisconsin Counties Association for consideration.

Passed this 30th day of October, 2018.

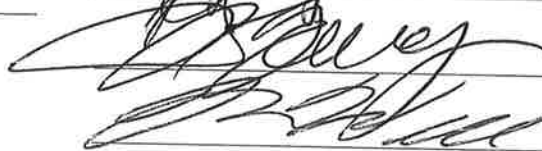
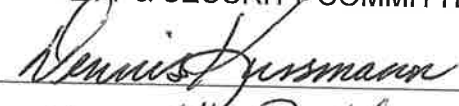
25 Ayes 0 Nays

RECOMMENDED FOR INTRODUCTION
BY THE WAUPACA COUNTY
LEGISLATIVE, JUDICIAL, ETHICS,
SAFETY & SECURITY COMMITTEE

ATTEST:



Jill Lodewegen
Waupaca County Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Diane L. Meulemans
Corporation Counsel

