



RESOLUTION NO. 55-04-2017

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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RETURNING CVSO GRANT TO A BLOCK GRANT FORMAT

TO THE HONORABLE KEWAUNEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1 **WHEREAS**, the Wisconsin County Veterans Service Office has operated as a block-grant for CVSO
 2 salary supplement since legislative inception in 1973, to attract and retain CVSO talent, and as a means
 3 to fund improvements to CVSO veterans services in the county; and
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5 **WHEREAS**, the 2015 Wisconsin Biennium Budget restructured this long-standing CVSO Grant block
 6 payment structure to a reimbursement only payment structure, and has resulted in a very cumbersome
 7 program that no longer allows salary supplementation, and contains complicated rules of eligible
 8 reimbursable costs, which together now create fiscal constraints on Wisconsin counties that benefitted
 9 from the previous block grant payment structure.

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 11 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Kewaunee County Board of Supervisors duly
 12 assembled this 18th day of April 2017, that Kewaunee County joins other counties in the State of
 13 Wisconsin, to express their desire to the Wisconsin State Legislature to have the County Veterans
 14 Service Office Grant returned to the original 1973 intent to be used for supplementing the salary of
 15 County Veterans Service Officers in order to attract and retain talented personnel in those positions and
 16 used to fund improvement of services to veterans and their dependents; and
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18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Kewaunee County Board of Supervisors does hereby request of
 19 the State Legislature that the CVSO Grant be structured in a block-grant structure requiring only the
 20 signatures of the current CVSO and County Executive, County Administrator or County Board Chairman
 21 as verification of compliance; and
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23 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of
 24 this resolution to Sen. Frank Lasee, Rep. Joel Kitchens, the Wisconsin
 25 Counties Association, and to the President of the Wisconsin County
 26 Veterans Service Officer Association.

Respectfully Submitted,
HEALTH, VETERAN SERVICE & CHILD SUPPORT COMMITTEE

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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

	Y E S	N O	A B S E N T	A B S T A I N
Benes, P	✓			
Cravillion, D.	✓			
Dobbins, M.	✓			
Doell, D.	✓			
Haske, V.	✓			
Jahnke, S.			✓	
Kirchman, L.	✓			
Luft, L.	✓			
Mastalir, J.	✓			
Paape, G.	✓			
Pagel, J.	✓			
Paider, R.	✓			
Rasmussen, C.	✓			
Romdenne, T.	✓			
Shillin, K.	✓			
Sinkula, L.	✓			
Teske, L.	✓			
Thomas, D.	✓			
Wagner, C.	✓			
Weidner, R.	✓			
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