

RESOLUTION 2016-33

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF INCREASED FUNDING
IN THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY AIDS ALLOCATION**

To the Honorable Chair and Board of Supervisors of Calumet County, Wisconsin:

Motion:	Adopted: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1 st <u>Deiter</u>	Lost: <input type="checkbox"/>
2 nd <u>Weinberger</u>	Tabled: <input type="checkbox"/>
Yes: <u>16</u> No: <u>0</u>	Absent: <u>5</u>
Number of votes required:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Majority	<input type="checkbox"/> Two-thirds
Reviewed by: Kimberly Tenerelli	Corp Counsel

WHEREAS, The Department of Children and Families provides funding to counties through the Children and Family Aids allocation for the provision of child abuse and neglect services, including prevention, investigation, treatment, and out-of-home placement costs; and

WHEREAS, Base funding for child welfare services has not increased since the Department of Children and Families was created in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Over the past few years, the child welfare workload has increased in all counties across the state; and

WHEREAS, The number of Child Protective Services (CPS) referrals has increased by 20 percent since 2009; and

WHEREAS, The number of screened-in Unborn Children in Need of Protection (UCHIPS) reports has increased in 2015 and 2016 by 200 percent; and

WHEREAS, The leading cause of UCHIPS increases is due to the use of heroin, opiates, and methamphetamines; and

WHEREAS, The number of Children in Need of Protection and Services (CHIPS) petitions filed with the court has increased 7 percent from 2008 to 2015; and

WHEREAS, Counties are struggling to recruit and retain child welfare workers; and

WHEREAS, The stress of increasing caseloads is taking its toll on CPS workers, causing many experienced child welfare workers to leave the profession; and

WHEREAS, It is critical that counties have the resources necessary to ensure the safety of children in every corner of the state; and

WHEREAS, Counties are struggling to identify resources to increase child welfare staff, especially given the significant overmatch counties already put in the human services system.

	YES	NO	A
1 BARRIBEAU			X
2 BUDE			X
3 CONNORS	X		
4 DEITER	X		
5 DIETRICH	X		
6 DRAHEIM			X
7 GENTZ	X		
8 GIBLER			X
9 HOFBERGER	X		
10 KLECKNER	X		
11 LA SHAY	X		
12 LAUGHRIN	X		
13 MUELLER	X		
14 STANKE	X		
15 STECKER	X		
16 SCHWALENBERG	X		
17 STIER	X		
18 STILLMAN	X		
19 WEINBERGER	X		
20 YELTON	X		

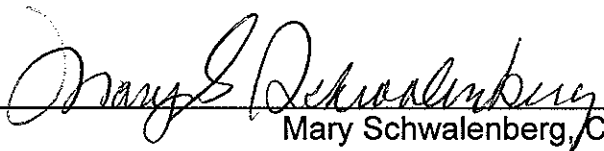
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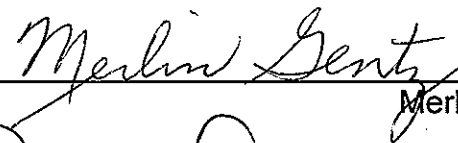
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Calumet County Board of Supervisors hereby requests that the state of Wisconsin, in its 2017-19 state biennial budget, increase funding to counties in the Children and Family Aids allocation to assist counties in serving the increasing number of children and families in the child welfare system.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a copy of this resolution be sent to Governor Scott Walker, Department of Children and Families Secretary Eloise Anderson, Department of Administration Secretary Scott Neitzel, area legislators, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.


Dated this 17th day of January 2017.

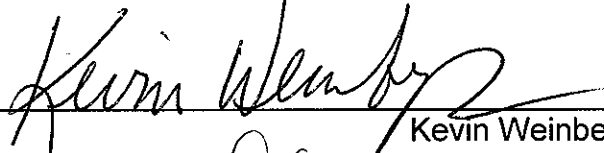
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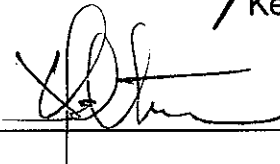

Mary Schwalenberg, Chair


Merlin Gentz


Ronald Dietrich


James Stecker


Kevin Weinberger


Jeff Yelton

COUNTERSIGNED BY


Alice Connors, County Board Chair



Vacant	Excused	Patrick Laughrin	YES
Merlin Gentz	YES	Heather Gibler	Absent
Kevin Weinberger	(2) YES	Gary Deiter	(M) YES
Duaine Stillman	YES	Mary Schwalenberg	YES
Matthew Budde	Excused	Jeffrey Yelton	YES
Dave La Shay	YES	Mike Hofberger	YES
Peter Stier	YES	Alice Connors	YES
Robert Stanke	YES	Ronald Dietrich	YES
Ed Kleckner	YES	James Stecker	YES
Joseph Mueller	YES	Kenneth Draheim	Excused
Bill Barribeau	Excused		

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Passed (16 Y - 0 N - 0 A - 5 Absent)

Majority Vote

