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**RESOLUTION OPPOSING 2017 SENATE BILL 777 CONSOLIDATING
THE AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

TO THE MANITOWOC COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1 WHEREAS, 2017 SB 777 would consolidate the power of the County Executive and
2 thereby reduce or eliminate the legislative oversight of the Manitowoc County Board of
3 Supervisors; and
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5 WHEREAS, the proposed legislation would grant the County Executive the authority to
6 use a biennial budget process with shortened timeline for legislative review; and
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8 WHEREAS, the proposed legislation would permit the County Executive to increase or
9 decrease appropriations when revenues or expenditures are different than anticipated; and
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11 WHEREAS, the proposed legislation removes County Board authority over debt issuance
12 and requires courts to broadly construe the authority of the County Executive; and
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14 WHEREAS, adoption of the proposed legislation could create conflicts with existing law
15 that may be difficult to reconcile;
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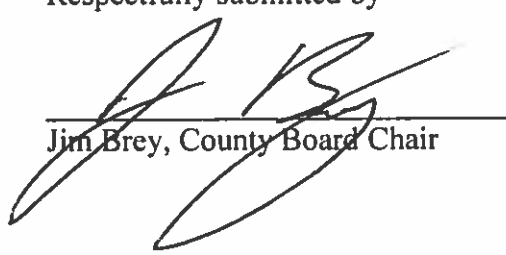
17 NOW THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED that the Manitowoc County Board of Supervisors
18 opposes 2017 SB 777 or bills that contain similar provisions to eliminate the legislative oversight
19 of the administration of Manitowoc County; and
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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Manitowoc County Board of Supervisors supports
22 a governance model that includes checks and balances on the authority of the County Executive;
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk is directed to send a copy of this
26 resolution to Governor Walker and the legislators for Manitowoc County.

Dated this 13th day of February 2018.

Respectfully submitted by


Jim Brey, County Board Chair

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

FISCAL NOTE: Reviewed and approved by Comptroller. 

LEGAL NOTE: Reviewed and approved as to form by Corporation Counsel.



I respect the prerogative of the members of the Manitowoc County Board of Supervisors to voice their opinions on legislative issues. Therefore, it is my practice to neither approve nor veto a legislative policy resolution that has been enacted by the County Board in order to allow the County Board, acting as the legislative branch of county government, to freely express its sentiment on legislative and public policy issues or to request action by a governmental entity, or both.



Bob Ziegelbauer, County Executive

2/14/18

Date

Holschbach-1	YES	Baumann-14	YES
Nickels-2	Absent	Wagner-15	YES
Metzger-3	YES	Cavanaugh-16	YES
Brey-4	YES	Maresh-17	YES
Nasep-5	YES	Muench-18	YES
Hansen-6	(M) YES	Falkowski-19	YES
Vogt-7	YES	Hoffman-20	YES
Williams-8	YES	Gerroll-21	YES
Gauger-9	YES	Dyzak-22	YES
Zimmer-10	Absent	Henrickson-23	YES
Vogel-11	Absent	Weiss-24	YES
Behnke-12	(2) YES	Swade-25	YES
Waack-13	Absent		
Res #7	Passed (21 Y - 0 N - 0 A - 4 Absent)	Majority Vote	>

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