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ALDS. MURPHY, KOVAC, WADE, BAUMAN, WITKOWIAK, AND HAMILTON
 A resolution expressing the City of Milwaukee’s opposition to Governor Scott Walker’s 2011-13 budget proposal to cut the annual state funding to the Wisconsin Arts Board, to eliminate the Wisconsin Arts Board as an independent agency, and to eliminate the Percent for Art program. This resolution expresses the City of Milwaukee’s opposition to Governor Scott Walker’s 2011-13 budget proposal to cut by 68% the annual state funding to the Wisconsin Arts Board, to eliminate the Wisconsin Arts Board as an independent agency, and to eliminate the Percent for Art program. This resolution also directs the Department of Administration - Intergovernmental Relations Division to lobby against the cut in annual state funding to the Wisconsin Arts Board, its elimination as an independent agency, and the elimination the Percent for Art program. Whereas, Governor Scott Walker’s 2011-13 budget proposal includes a 68% cut in annual state funding for the Wisconsin Arts Board from \$2.4 million to \$759,100; and

Whereas, Governor Walker’s budget proposal would eliminate the Wisconsin Arts Board by slashing its staff from 10 to 4 people and making it a program within the state Department of Tourism; and

Whereas, Governor Walker’s budget proposal would eliminate the Percent for Art program, established in 1980, which requires that 0.2 percent of the total cost of construction or remodeling of selected state buildings be spent for public art; and

Whereas, The Wisconsin Arts Board is a state agency which nurtures creativity, cultivates expression, advances the arts, supports the arts in education, stimulates community and economic development and serves as a resource for people of every culture and heritage; and

Whereas, Each year the Milwaukee Arts Board, supported in part by a grant from the Wisconsin Arts Board, awards grants to local organizations for projects that enhance the arts for the citizens and visitors of Milwaukee; and

Whereas, The Percent for Art public art program helps to beautify public buildings and urban environments, and draw attention to the wealth of artistic expertise within our region; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the City of Milwaukee opposes Governor Scott Walker's 2011-13 budget proposal to cut by 68% the annual state funding to the Wisconsin Arts Board, to eliminate the Wisconsin Arts Board as an independent agency, and to eliminate the Percent for Art program; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Department of Administration - Intergovernmental Relations Division is directed to lobby against the cut in annual state funding to the Wisconsin Arts Board, its elimination as an independent agency, and the elimination of the Percent for Art program.

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