Reply to Common Council File No. 040249 From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File No. 040249 is a resolution from the Health Department relative to application, acceptance and funding for the Congenital Disorders Grant. This is a continuing grant provided by the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services. This grant provides funding for the Health Department to screen every infant born in Wisconsin for over 26 rare disorders including hypothyroidism and sickle cell disease. Milwaukee has been targeted for this program since 90 percent of the statewide sickle cell disease cases occur in the Milwaukee area.

This program relates to city and health department goals to improve the health of citizens by improving the health of children, reducing infant mortality, and ensuring that children entering school are mentally and physically capable of educational achievement.

The grant is in the amount of \$121,627, with the entire amount provided by the grantor. It provides the positions and supplies necessary to assist families in accessing medical care for follow-up testing, and other medical follow-up. The grant period is July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE COMMON COUNCIL FILE NO. 040249 WHICH AUTHORIZES THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO APPLY, ACCEPT AND FUND THE CONGENITAL DISORDERS GRANT FROM THE STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES.

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