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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 7 , FILE 070875

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File 070875 is a resolution relative to acceptance and expenditure of up to \$650,000 in private contributions for the purpose of training members of the Milwaukee Fire Department and purchasing various supplies for the Safe Schools/Healthy Students Initiative, Project Staying Alive program.

Background and Discussion

1. The Milwaukee Fire Department provides training to department members and supplies for the Project Staying Alive program. This is a program that teaches children basic fire safety and teaches proper fire escape methods.
2. The Milwaukee Fire Department frequently receives inquiries from citizens, foundations or other entities regarding donating funds for such projects.
3. On June 23, 2003, the Common Council authorized the Fire Department to accept up to \$400,000 in private contributions for fire safety education. This resolution increases that amount and authorizes the Milwaukee Fire Department to accept and expend up to \$650,000 in private contributions for the purpose of training and purchasing of supplies for this program over a period of one to 3 years.
4. Children's Hospital of Wisconsin and the Milwaukee Public Schools wish to contribute up to \$3,148 and \$175,000, respectively, for this program.
5. The program would be funded entirely by the grantors, requiring no City contribution.

Fiscal Impact

This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Fire Department to accept and expend up to \$650,000 in private contributions for the purpose of training and purchasing of supplies for the Project Staying Alive program.

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