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CHAIR

Substitute resolution relative to proposed agreement between the City of Milwaukee and the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation.

This substitute resolution approves the Agreement from January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2006 between the City of Milwaukee and the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation and authorizes the Milwaukee Public Library to accept, during the term of the agreement, contributions from the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation, for the purpose of library materials, programs, facilities and endowment.

Whereas, The Milwaukee Public Library adds significant value to the City of Milwaukee by helping to create an environment that fosters lifelong learning, increasing the educational attainment of its citizens, and thereby improving the overall quality of life in Milwaukee; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee is committed to the operation and maintenance of a strong and exemplary Public Library System; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee has had a six year freeze in the State Shared Revenue funding, which is the largest source of revenue; and

Whereas, The Milwaukee Public Library Foundation was created to provide capital, program and library materials funding for the Milwaukee Public Library over and above City support and would like to strengthen the partnership by increasing the annual support for programs and library materials in addition to its periodic support for capital projects and endowment; and

Whereas, The Milwaukee Public Library Foundation and the City of Milwaukee developed a five year written, non-legally binding understanding, with the Foundation committing to use its best effort to increase net support and contributions for library programs and materials from \$250,000 in 2002 and up to \$1,000,000 annually thereafter and the City committing, subject to the annual budgetary appropriations, to maintain the same level of funding as in 2001 with annual increases sufficient to offset inflation and related costs for the term of the Agreement; and

Whereas, The Mayor also makes a non-legally binding commitment to make his statutory appointments to the Milwaukee Public Library Board of Trustees from candidates recommended by the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation, such recommendations taking into consideration such qualifications as leadership potential, past contributions to and knowledge of the Milwaukee Public Library through service or support, and fund-raising ability, in addition to city residency; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the City of Milwaukee agrees to enter into a non-binding commitment in a form approved by the City Attorney, consistent with the above recitals, with the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation with a term of January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2006 and that the

City Librarian is authorized to execute this commitment on the City's behalf; and , be it

Further Resolved, That the Milwaukee Public Library is authorized to accept \$250,000 in 2002 and up to \$1,000,000 annually in 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006, and that upon receipt and deposit of these contributions, the City Comptroller is authorized and directed to establish a Special Account within the Milwaukee Public Library's budget for the expenditure of this contribution; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the City Comptroller is authorized and directed to transfer appropriations and estimated revenue from the Contribution Fund-General, Account Number 0001-2110-0001-D001-006300, and the estimated revenue account for Contributions, Account Number 0001-2110-0001-009850 to the Milwaukee Public Library's special account 0001-8610-0001-Dxxx-006800 and the Milwaukee Public Library's estimated revenue account 0001-8610-0001-009850 in the amount of \$250,000 in 2002 and up to \$1,000,000 in 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006.

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