

1 **WASHINGTON COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

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3 Date of enactment: 6/13/18

4 Date of publication: 6/21/18

5 **VOTE**

6 **2018 RESOLUTION 13**

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8 **Support for State Funded Treatment Alternatives and Diversion**
9 **Operating While Intoxicated (TAD OWI) Program**

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11 **WHEREAS**, the TAD program was created to reduce recidivism, increase public safety
12 and reduce the jail population; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, from 2007 through 2014, the Wisconsin Department of Justice offered grant
15 funding for the TAD program which was administered through the Washington County Sheriff's
16 Department, providing diversion of 2nd, 3rd and misdemeanor 4th time OWI offenders to a
17 structured treatment program; and

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19 **WHEREAS**, in 2015, the Human Services Department began administering the TAD
20 program with TAD grant funding offered by the Wisconsin Department of Justice; and

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22 **WHEREAS**, in 2017, the TAD grant program changed the target population in the
23 program from 2nd, 3rd and misdemeanor 4th time OWI offenders to clients that are charged with
24 non-violent misdemeanors and diagnosed with Opioid Use Disorder; and

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26 **WHEREAS**, in January 2018, the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (CJCC)
27 considered the findings of a study conducted by the University of Wisconsin-Washington County
28 regarding the effectiveness of the TAD OWI program, concluding that participants in the program
29 were 80% less likely to be re-arrested for OWI than the control group – a 2.6% recidivism for
30 participants versus a 13.2% recidivism for the control group; and

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32 **WHEREAS**, Washington County is requesting the State of Wisconsin reinstate the TAD
33 OWI program and provide counties funding for same; and

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35 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Washington County Board of
36 Supervisors that this Board supports the reinstatement of the TAD OWI Program and further
37 requests the State of Wisconsin provide funding to counties to support the program.

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39 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Washington County Board of Supervisors that
40 this Board supports and urges Governor Scott Walker and the Wisconsin Legislature to pass
41 legislation that provides funding for the TAD OWI program.

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43 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded by the
44 Washington County Clerk to the Wisconsin Counties Association, all State Representatives,
45 Senators and Governor Scott Walker.

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VOTE REQUIREMENT FOR PASSAGE: Majority

RESOLUTION SUMMARY: Support for State funding to counties to reinstate the TAD-OWI program.

APPROVED:
(signed by Bradley S. Stern)
Bradley S. Stern, County Attorney

Introduced by members of the EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE as filed with the County Clerk.

Dated 6/14/18

(signed by Donald A. Kriefall)
Donald A. Kriefall, Chairperson

Considered 6/13/18
Adopted 6/13/18
Ayes 24 Noes 0 Absent 2
Voice Vote _____

(Due to the recognized need for a TAD OWI program, Washington County has committed to \$250,000 of funding for 2018 and 2019 program costs. Reinstating the TAD OWI program and providing funding for the same could provide savings up to \$125,000 annually for the County.)