

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 14**

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8 **Support for Legislation to Staff and Fund County Prosecutor Positions**

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10 **WHEREAS**, the State of Wisconsin assumed responsibility for funding County
11 Prosecutor positions on January 1, 1990; and

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13 **WHEREAS**, in January 2017, the lack of funding from the State shifted the burden to
14 Washington County to provide and fund a part-time Prosecutor position to alleviate the backlog
15 of cases in the District Attorney's Office; and

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17 **WHEREAS**, the Washington County Board of Supervisors has determined that
18 inadequate State funding of Prosecutor positions is detrimental to the administration of justice
19 and the preservation of public safety;

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21 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Washington County Board of
22 Supervisors that this Board supports and urges Governor Scott Walker and the Wisconsin
23 Legislature to pass legislation that provides for additional staff and funding for County
24 Prosecutors;

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

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32 **VOTE REQUIREMENT FOR PASSAGE:** Majority

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34 **RESOLUTION SUMMARY:** Advisory resolution to WCA, the Governor and Wisconsin
35 Legislature to provide sufficient staffing and funding of County Prosecutors.
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1 APPROVED:
2 (signed by Bradley S. Stern)
3 Bradley S. Stern, County Attorney

4 Dated 6/14/18

6 Considered 6/13/18

7 Adopted 6/13/18

8 Ayes 24 Noes 0 Absent 2

9 Voice Vote _____

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11 (Due to the recognized need for an additional prosecutor in Washington County, one was added
12 in 2017 and funded through County tax levy. The total cost to the County for this 0.6 full-time
13 equivalent position is approximately \$54,200.)

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

(signed by Donald A. Kriefall)

Donald A. Kriefall, Chairperson