TO: The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Iowa County

  WHEREAS, there is a need for a true state/county partnership in the delivery of human services;

  WHEREAS, county government is laboring under the burden of unfunded and underfunded state mandates;

  WHEREAS, the residents of the State of Wisconsin have upheld an advisory referendum in opposition to underfunded and unfunded state mandates;

  WHEREAS, local units of government are struggling with a need for property tax relief;

  WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin is holding county government accountable to meet all state and federal guidelines pertaining to the delivery of human services, without adequate funding to ensure such compliance;

  WHEREAS, the Department of Health and Social Services has created a new team of auditors to monitor human service agencies for compliance;

  WHEREAS, the focus needs to be on assisting counties to deliver quality human services and to remain in compliance with state and federal guidelines, as opposed to sanctions against county government;

  WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin and county government need to share the responsibility for decisions related to the delivery of human services programs;

  THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 21st day of July 1992, that the Iowa County Board of Supervisors urges the State of Wisconsin and county government to develop a true and equitable partnership to determine appropriate levels of human services considering the availability of state and local funding.

  THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Thompson, Iowa County's state legislators, all County Board chairpersons, all directors of county human services and/or social services agencies, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Respectfully submitted:

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