RESOLUTION NO. 3-798

Date: July 2, 1998

To: Honorable Members of the Iowa County Board of Supervisors

RE: State of Wisconsin Financial Support to Protect the Health of the Public

WHEREAS, the children of Wisconsin are suffering unnecessary illness from their exposure to lead poisoning, preventable child abuse and neglect, from preventable injury and failure to thrive as infants, and they could be given the opportunity to have a more healthy and productive life by receiving services described in Healthy People in Wisconsin: A Public Health Agenda; and,

WHEREAS, the people of Wisconsin look to their government to provide them with information and services that will protect them and their family from preventable disease and death; and,

WHEREAS, while county governments across Wisconsin have recognized their responsibility to provide for public health service delivery, the State of Wisconsin has not met its obligation to assure that the delivery of low cost prevention services are provided at needed levels in all parts of the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wisconsin Counties Association support, as a high priority, State funding to assure that all children in Wisconsin receive needed lead poison prevention screening and treatment, access to adequate nutrition, delivery of nutrition and nursing services to mothers and children in high risk situations regardless of their economic status; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State of Wisconsin allocate $1.00 per person per year to assist Wisconsin counties in the delivery of health services that protect the health of the public along with an additional $2.5 million to be set aside for distribution to local units of government to solve unique problems within their community as described in Healthy People 2000.
Respectfully submitted by the Committee on Health, Diane McGuire, Chairperson.

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