RESOLUTION NO. 4-0409

REQUESTING THAT THE STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS INCREASE REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENTS FOR STATE PROBATION AND PAROLE PRISONERS

WHEREAS: county jails are required to accept placement of persons who are in the custody of the Wisconsin Department of Corrections pending disposition of parole, extended supervision or probation revocation proceedings; and

WHEREAS: §302.33(2)(a) Wisconsin Statutes, requires the Wisconsin Department of Corrections to reimburse the county for costs relating to maintaining persons in custody pending the disposition of their parole, extended supervision or probation revocation proceedings; and

WHEREAS: §302.33(2)(a)3, Wisconsin Statutes, requires the Wisconsin Department of Corrections to reimburse the county at a rate of $40 per person per day, unless insufficient funds are appropriated by the State in any year, in which case the Wisconsin Department of Corrections shall prorate the payments to the county; and

WHEREAS: the rate of $40 per person has not increased since 1993 and does not cover the cost to Iowa County for housing persons in custody pending the disposition of their parole, extended supervision or probation revocation proceedings; and

WHEREAS: the State has continually and knowingly under funded the Wisconsin Department of Corrections requiring the taxpayers of Iowa County to subsidize the State for housing its inmates; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Iowa County Board of Supervisors respectfully requests that the State of Wisconsin appropriate a sum sufficient to cover the actual per person per day costs to counties for holding persons in the custody of the Wisconsin Department of Corrections pending disposition of parole, extended supervision or probation revocation proceedings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Iowa County Clerk forwards a copy of this resolution (via fax or email) to the Wisconsin Counties Association and the State legislators representing Iowa County.

Respectfully Submitted Iowa County Justice Committee
Dated: April 21, 2009