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3 **RESOLUTION: Support Recision of Changes to the**
4 **Wisconsin Prevailing Wage Law**

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6 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

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8 **WHEREAS**, Assembly Bill 75, proposes to make a prevailing wage law applicable to any
9 public works contract over \$25,000; and

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11 **WHEREAS**, under current law, the prevailing wage requirements only apply to multiple
12 trade public works projects of \$234,000 and single trade public works projects over \$48,000; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, reducing the threshold to \$2,000 will increase the cost of small public works
15 projects previously exempted from the prevailing wage requirement; and

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17 **WHEREAS**, the increases in costs to municipalities as a result of said prevailing wage
18 law amendment would reduce the number and/or size of public works projects or result in an
19 increase in taxes to meet the increased cost, which would further burden property taxpayers; and

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21 **WHEREAS**, any proposed changes to the prevailing wage law should be addressed
22 outside of the budget process as separate legislations so that lawmakers may give more
23 thoughtful consideration of changing the cost threshold for public works projects and clarifying
24 statutory language to distinguish between routine maintenance and construction projects.

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26 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors
27 that it hereby opposes any changes to the prevailing wage law as proposed in Assembly Bill 75
28 and urges the Legislature and the Governor to remove these items from the budget bill..

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31 Submitted by:

32 **LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

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41 Committee Vote:

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44 Vote Requirement for Passage:

45 **Majority of those present**

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47 Approved by Winnebago County Executive this _____ day of

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49 _____, 2011.

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53 Mark L. Harris
54 County Executive
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