

2 **RESOLUTION: Approve Contract and Fee Structure for Bulk Image Sales of Real Estate**
3 **Documents**

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

6 **DEFINITIONS:**

- 7 1. Bulk Images: Real estate documents recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds and
- 8 electronically delivered to third party subscribers.
- 9 2. Monarch Software: Data distribution software developed by Fidlar Technologies, which is
- 10 used to transmit Bulk Images to subscribers.
- 11 3. Image: One (1) page of a recorded document.

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13 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to §59.43, Wis Stats, the Register of Deeds is permitted to enter into contracts with
14 private corporations for the distribution of real estate documents; and

15 **WHEREAS**, the Register of Deeds currently supplies bulk images to three existing customers under
16 agreement; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the current rate for bulk images of a flat fee is \$500.00 per month; and

18 **WHEREAS**, this rate has not increased since at least the year 2000; and

19 **WHEREAS**, Monarch Software will enhance the security and efficiency of bulk image distribution to third
20 party subscribers; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the Register of Deeds is required to change from a flat fee for bulk images to a per image fee
22 structure; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the Register of Deeds is recommending a bulk image fee of \$.18 per image for day forward
24 (non-historic) real estate documents; and

25 **WHEREAS**, of the \$.18 per image fee charged by the Register of Deeds, a \$.03 per image of the end-user
26 fee is collected by Fidlar Technologies; and

27 **WHEREAS**, the Register of Deeds recommends that existing customers be phased in to the per-image fee
28 structure over an 18-month period.

29 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby
30 approves the Monarch Service Contract pursuant to those terms as are contained in the attached proposed contract,
31 which is made part of the Resolution herein by reference.

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33 Respectfully submitted by:
34 **JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

35 Committee Vote: **5-0**

36 Respectfully submitted by:
37 **PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

38 Committee Vote: **4-0**

39 Vote Required for Passage: **Majority of Those Present**

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41 Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this ____ day of _____, 2019.

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44 Mark L Harris
45 Winnebago County Executive