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3 **RESOLUTION: Requesting the State of Wisconsin Review and Revise the Entry Level Compensation Rate**  
4 **for Assistant District Attorneys**  
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7 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

8 **WHEREAS**, Assistant District Attorneys serve as the backbone of the State of Wisconsin's ability to prosecute  
9 criminal cases in all of its seventy-two counties; and

10 **WHEREAS**, any shortage of these Assistant District Attorneys creates backups in the justice system, which can  
11 lengthen cases, create more pressure on existing staff and delay or deny justice to individuals party to these cases; and

12 **WHEREAS**, the entry level compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys in Wisconsin in 2022 sits at  
13 \$26.70 per hour which is annualized to around \$54,000 a year; and

14 **WHEREAS**, this entry level compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys has not kept up with the rate of  
15 inflation and sits well below the national average for similar positions in District Attorney offices across the country; and

16 **WHEREAS**, this entry level compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys sits below other public sector  
17 attorney positions in both Winnebago County and the State of Wisconsin; and

18 **WHEREAS**, this entry level compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys is not competitive in today's  
19 workforce environment, accelerates staff turnover in District Attorney offices around Wisconsin and endangers public  
20 safety; and

21 **WHEREAS**, in an effort to make Wisconsin District Attorney offices more competitive in their entry level  
22 compensation offerings for Assistant District Attorneys, Winnebago County requests that the State of Wisconsin review  
23 and revise the entry level compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys to remain competitive with similar positions in  
24 District Attorney offices around the country, other public sector attorney positions and the private sector as well as to  
25 keep up the rate of inflation.

26 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that the State of  
27 Wisconsin is hereby requested to review and revise the entry level compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys  
28 in order to remain competitive with similar positions in District Attorney offices around the country, other public sector  
29 attorney positions and the private sector as well as to keep up with the rate of inflation.

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31 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that a copy of this resolution  
32 is sent to Governor Tony Evers, all members of the Wisconsin State Legislature representing Winnebago County, the  
33 Wisconsin Counties Association and all other Wisconsin Counties and be referred to Winnebago County Legislative  
34 Committee.

35 *Fiscal Note: No fiscal impact.*

36 Respectfully submitted by:

37 **JACOB FLOAM, DISTRICT 16**  
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39 Respectfully submitted by:

40 **JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

41 Committee Vote: **5-0**  
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Respectfully submitted by:  
**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Committee Vote: 11-0  
Vote Required for Passage: **Three- Fourths of those members Present**

Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Jonathan D. Doemel  
Winnebago County Executive