RESOLUTION: Appropriate \$1,608,450 to Purchase Vacant Land Adjacent to Wittman Regional Airport, and Authorize Subsequent Bond Issue for that Purpose

TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

WHEREAS, Wittman Regional Airport lacks substantial portions of developable land within the airport boundaries to market to aviation businesses interested in locating on airport grounds; and

WHEREAS, opportunities for economic development at Wittman Regional Airport may have been missed in recent years because of this lack of significant developable land; and

WHEREAS, approximately 59.43 acres of land owned by George and Kathleen Brennand, and approximately 21.50 acres of land owned by William Brennand, priced collectively at \$1,608,460, are adjacent to the southeast side of the airport and are currently being offered for sale by Centrum Development; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of these parcels would provide opportunities to bring new aviation businesses to Winnebago County Wittman Regional Airport and further enhance economic development within Winnebago County; and

WHEREAS, Wittman Regional Airport has petitioned the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Bureau of Aeronautics, for potential reimbursement through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Program (AIP) and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT), Bureau of Aeronautics (BOA), of up to 97.5% of the land acquisition costs for the aforementioned parcels of property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby appropriates \$1,608,460.00 from the General Fund of Winnebago County for the purchase of property adjacent to Wittman Regional Airport as described above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that the Winnebago County General Fund shall be reimbursed in the above amount from a subsequent bond issue.

Fiscal Note: Annual debt serviced over the 10-year repayment of the debt will be roughly \$193,000.

Submitted by:

AVIATION COMMITTEE

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Submitted by:

PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

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67	Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this day of February, 2012.
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