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TO: Conan Smith
Chair, Ways & Means Committee

THROUGH: Robert E. Guenzel
County Administrator

FROM: Jerry Clayton
Sheriff

DATE: March 4, 2009

SUBJECT: 2009 Marine Safety Grant Application

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

It is requested that the Board of Commissioners ratify the signature of the County Administrator on the 2009 Marine Safety Grant application submitted to the State of Michigan, Department of Natural Resources for funding that is being made available for the period of January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. The total program budget of \$184,088 with maximum state reimbursement of \$143,154 will support personnel and operating expenses associated with patrolling the bodies of water in the Washtenaw County Sheriff's coverage area.

BACKGROUND:

The Marine Safety Grant program is available to all County Sheriff's Offices and is allocated based upon factors such as the area of public waters to be patrolled, the number of law enforcement personnel available for marine patrol, the number of boat livery inspections to be conducted, and the extent of the county's boating safety education program. The Marine Safety Grant funding is based upon the previously mentioned criteria and varies from county to county. Reimbursement is up to 75% of actual expenditures.

DISCUSSION:

Funds from the Marine Safety Grant, if accepted, will be used to supplement boat safety education and will also be directed toward personnel and supply costs pertaining to water patrol, as dictated by the grant guidelines. The funding level will be similar to awards in previous years. Additionally, we have included estimates for equipment purchases that may be approved by the DNR if funds are available. These funds are

being made available through federal awards to the State. It is possible that we may not receive the additional funds.

IMPACT ON HUMAN RESOURCES:

None

IMPACT ON BUDGET:

Marine Safety is a general fund program; therefore grant funds received will offset general fund expenditures. Total program budget of \$184,088 with the total requested state reimbursement of \$143,154. Operating costs of \$163,717 are eligible for reimbursement up to 75% or a maximum of \$122,788. The county is also requesting state reimbursement for equipment at 100% of \$20,366. However, the state typically provides the county approximately \$47,000 in reimbursement for operating expenses, plus additional funds for equipment if available. The program expenditures and expected reimbursement is included in county's 2009 General Fund adopted budget; therefore, no budget adjustment is needed.

IMPACT ON INDIRECT COSTS:

None

IMPACT ON OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OR OUTSIDE AGENCIES:

None

CONFORMITY TO COUNTY POLICIES:

Conforms to County Policies

ATTACHMENTS/APPENDICES:

Resolution

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE RATIFICATION OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S SIGNATURE ON THE APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, FOR THE 2009 MARINE SAFETY GRANT PROGRAM FOR ONE YEAR, BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2009 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2009, IN THE TOTAL PROGRAM AMOUNT OF \$184,088; AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN THE NOTICE OF GRANT AWARD AND AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN DELEGATE CONTRACTS.

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 18, 2009

WHEREAS, the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office and Washtenaw County have diligently maintained efforts to better serve the citizens of Washtenaw County; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office wishes to further enhance its delivery of law enforcement services to the community, within the realm of community oriented policing; and

WHEREAS, the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office requests permission to submit an application for a grant award from the State of Michigan, for funding in the total amount of \$184,088, with maximum state reimbursement of \$143,154 (representing 75% of operating costs and 100% of equipment expenses) being made available through the Marine Safety Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been reviewed by the County Administrator's Office, the Finance Department, Human Resources, Corporation Counsel, and the Ways and Means Committee;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby ratifies the signature of the County Administrator on the application to the State of Michigan for grant funding in the maximum amount of \$184,088 through the 2009 Marine Safety Grant Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners takes the following actions contingent upon receipt of the grant award in conformity with the grant application:

1. Authorizing the County Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award
2. Authorizing the Administrator to sign the delegate contracts in conformity with the application/award upon review of Corporation Counsel, to be filed with the County Clerk