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February 16, 2023

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY: Your County Personnel and Human Services Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in April 2022, the Berrien County Board of Commissioners authorized Berrien County to enter into an agreement with Midwest Strategy Group of Michigan, LLC for governmental consulting services; and

WHEREAS, Midwest Strategy Group of Michigan, LLC is to provide services intended to further Berrien County's goals of finding funding sources and to have an advocate before the legislative and executive branches of government; and

WHEREAS, they charge a monthly retainer of \$4,000 in addition to being reimbursed for costs directly attributable to the performance of their work above the retainer, approximately \$49,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners would like to continue with these services in 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator to proceed with a purchase order for the services of Midwest Strategy Group of Michigan, LLC for 2023 and authorizes a transfer of \$49,000 from contingency funds into consulting services.

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
BERRIEN COUNTY PERSONNEL AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Robert P. Harrison, Chairperson

Michael J. Majerek, Vice-Chair

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RESOLUTION APPROVED AS TO FORM	
Administrator <u>BH</u>	Date <u>2-14-23</u>
Comments Attached _____	
Corporate Counsel <u>TH</u>	Date <u>2/13/23</u>
Comments Attached _____	