RESOLUTION # 38-2011

Resolution offered by Supervisors of the Labor Relations and Employee Services Committee.

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

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WHEREAS, the execution or modification of a payroll practice to be implemented by the County of Oneida (the "County") affecting employees' required contributions to a pension plan must be approved and adopted by the Board of the County of Oneida (the "Board") under federal tax law:

12 WHEREAS, the Board desires those County employees who are required to contribute a 13 portion of their Wisconsin Retirement System ("WRS") contributions by reduction of their wages 14 or salary, either by state law or in accordance with a labor agreement or employment contract, 15 to make such contributions in a pre-tax manner.

16 WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that contributions to a pension plan originating 17 through reduction of an employee's wages or salary are traditionally made on an after-tax basis 18 unless otherwise accepted by the receiving pension plan;

19 20 WHEREAS, the Board further recognizes that the Wisconsin Department of Employee Trust Funds, which administers WRS, will accept pre-tax contributions from employees if the 21 employer meets the criteria set forth under federal tax law:

22 23 **WHEREAS**, the Board intends the actions of the County setting forth the method by which employee contributions to WRS will be made in a pre-tax manner to be in compliance 24 25 26 27 with all applicable rules and laws under the Internal Revenue Code and all supporting rulings. including Internal Revenue Code Section 414(h)(2) and Revenue Ruling 2006-43;

WHEREAS, the Board intends the actions of the County setting forth this method to be applied prospectively, from the effective date of these Resolutions; and

28 WHEREAS, the Board believes that the adoption of the protocol described herein is in 29 the best interest of the County.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County's adoption of the procedure to 31 implement the pre-tax contributions to WRS by employees required to make WRS contributions, 32 33 either by state law or in accordance with a labor agreement or employment contract, is hereby approved;

34 FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper officers of the County are hereby authorized 35 and directed to take any and all actions as they deem necessary or advisable to ensure that all 36 employees required to make WRS contributions will do so in a pre-tax manner by reducing each 37 employee's compensation by the appropriate amount;

38 FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper officers of the County are hereby authorized 39 and directed to take any and all actions as they deem necessary or advisable to ensure that all 40 employees required to make WRS contributions will not have the option of receiving the amount 41 of the WRS contribution in cash;

42 FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proper officers of the County are hereby authorized 43 and directed to take any and all actions as they deem necessary or advisable to ensure that all 44 employees required to make WRS contributions will not have the option of opting out of the pre-45 tax contribution program and will not have the option of making their contribution in an after-tax 46 fashion:

47 **FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the proper officers of the County are hereby authorized to 48 perform all such acts, and to execute and deliver all such agreements, undertakings, 49 documents, instruments or certificates in the name and on behalf of the County or otherwise as 50 each such officer may deem necessary, advisable or appropriate to effectuate or carry out fully 51 the purpose and intent of the foregoing resolutions and in accordance with applicable state and

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