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WHEREAS, except for budgetary transfers authorized in Section 8 of the Appropriation Bill, transfers greater than \$50,000 that are within and between the Personal Services, Contractual Services, Supplies and Materials, Operation and Maintenance, Rental and Leasing, Capital Equipment and Improvements, or Contingency or Special Purposes account series require advance approval by the Cook County Board of Commissioners (the "Board") or the Cook County Hospital System Board (the "System Board"); and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, effective May 21, 2020, through September 30, 2020, the Board does hereby authorize the Budget Director or designee of the Budget Director to review and approve budgetary transfer requests that are of an immediate nature and would otherwise require advance approval of the Board or System Board; provided, however, all such budget transfer requests shall further require the written concurrence of the Cook County Chief Financial Officer or a designee of the Chief Financial Officer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Budget Director shall issue a report on the approved budgetary transfers permitted under this Resolution for the preceding month on the 15th of each month to the Cook County Board of Commissioners and the Cook County Health System Board, where applicable.

Sponsors: TONI PRECKWINKLE (President), JOHN P. DALEY, SCOTT R. BRITTON, DENNIS DEER, BRANDON JOHNSON, BILL LOWRY, STANLEY MOORE, DEBORAH SIMS, LARRY SUFFREDIN,

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