RESOLUTION # 21-10/26 **TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LA CROSSE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**	**ITEM # 10-6** **BOARD ACTION** Adopted: ✓ For: 29 Against: 0 Abstain: 8 Abs/Excd: 1 Vote Req: 2/3 Full Other Action: —	**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE ACTION** Adopted: yes For: 8 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Abs/Excd: 1	**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ACTION** Adopted: ✓ For: 9 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 Abs/Excd: 0

RE: AUTHORIZING 1.0 FTE ECONOMIC SUPPORT SPECIALIST (ESS) POSITION FOR EMPLIFY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP

WHEREAS, Emplify Health has proposed funding one (1.0 FTE) dedicated Economic Support Specialist to assist Emplify patients with Medicaid/BadgerCare Plus and other Economic Support programs; and

WHEREAS, Emplify Health System (Emplify) and La Crosse County (County) have agreed to a partnership whereby the County will create and dedicate one (1.0 FTE) Economic Support Specialist position to assist Emplify patients with Medicaid/BadgerCare Plus and other Economic Support programs through the County-led Western Region for Economic Assistance (WREA) consortium; and

WHEREAS, this partnership, modeled on an existing collaboration between Dane County and UW Health, recognizes the mutual benefit to counties and health systems of ensuring individuals are able to access and maintain health insurance and other public benefits, thereby improving continuity of care and reducing administrative barriers; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the La Crosse County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the creation of one (1.0 FTE) Economic Support Specialist position within the Human Services Department to support the County–Emplify partnership;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that hiring and maintaining the position shall remain contingent upon execution and continuation of a contract between the County and Emplify under which the County is fully reimbursed for the non-state/federal share of the position's costs.

FISCAL NOTE: Emplify Health will provide approximately $54,063 annually to support County costs associated with the Economic Support Specialist position that are not otherwise supported through federal funding. There is no impact on County tax levy. Personnel and operating costs will be tracked under the 210.480.5260 division within the County financial system under the Economic Support section.

Date: 10/6/26

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COMMITTEE CHAIR

RECORDING CLERK

Date: 10-7-26

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	Reviewed Only	Recommended	Not Recommended
Co. Admin.		JK	
Fin. Director			
Corp. Counsel			
Board Chair			

Requested By: Jason Witt
Date Requested: September 23, 2026
Drafted By: Jason Witt

Adopted by the La Crosse County Board this 15 Day of October, 2026

STATE OF WISCONSIN
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE
I, Ginny Dankmeyer, County Clerk of La Crosse County do hereby certify that this document is a true and correct copy of the original resolution required by law to be in my custody and which the County Board of Supervisors of La Crosse County adopted at a meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026.

Ginny Dankmeyer, La Crosse County Clerk