Substitute resolution directing the Department of Employee Relations and the Department of Administration to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of deploying emergency communication devices to protect City employees from possible harm during the performance of their City duties.

This resolution directs the Department of Employee Relations and the Department of Administration to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of providing emergency communication devices with GPS, panic alarms, and emergency response capabilities and the feasibility of communicating directly with the Police Department to field City employees to protect these employees during the performance of their City duties. A field City employee, for the purposes of this resolution, is an employee who is not engaged directly in public safety as a police officer or firefighter, who performs a portion of his or her duties in the city at large rather than from a City-operated location where City employees are typically posted and who is believed to be potentially at risk of being harmed in the performance of these duties.

Whereas, The City utilizes the services of field employees who are not engaged directly in public safety as police officers or firefighters and who perform a portion of their duties in the city at large rather than from City-operated locations where City employees are typically posted, and

Whereas, Some of these field employees are at times placed in danger of harm during the performance of their City duties in the city at large; and

Whereas, Providing emergency communication devices with GPS, panic alarms, and emergency response capabilities and the ability to communicate directly with the Police Department to those field employees who are believed to be potentially at risk of being harmed in the performance of their duties may ameliorate some of these risks for harm as these employees move from location to location in the performance of their duties; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Department of Employee Relations and the Department of Administration are directed to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of providing emergency communication devices with GPS, panic alarm, and emergency response capabilities and the feasibility of communicating directly with the Police
Department to field employees, who are not engaged directly in public safety as police officers or firefighters, who perform a portion of their duties in the city at large rather than from City-operated locations where City employees are typically posted and who are believed to be potentially at risk of being harmed in the performance of their duties, to protect these dispatched employees from possible harm as these employees perform their City duties; and, be it

Further Resolved, The Department of Employee Relations and Department of Administration shall report the findings of this feasibility study and make recommendations for deploying such an emergency response system to the Common Council on or before July 31, 2017.

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