

**RESOLUTION NO. 7-0708**

**SUPPORTING ENACTMENT OF LEGISLATION TO REINSTATE  
PASSPORT ACCEPTANCE FEES TO \$30 FOR COUNTIES**

**WHEREAS**, the recently enacted Federal budget enacted by the United State Congress, reduced the previous \$30 per applicant county fee for passport acceptance fees to \$25, which is the amount currently collected by the Clerk of Court and retained as Iowa County's portion of the total fees and further, the State portion of the passport acceptance fees was increased from \$67 to \$75 by the budget act; and;

**WHEREAS**, the reduction of the county's portion of the passport acceptance fees will negatively affect county revenue for the same service provided by the office of the Clerk of Court to applicants requesting passports from the Clerk of Court's office and the costs of providing the same passport issuance service. The same passport issuance service by the Clerk of Court's office will increase in the next biennium and Iowa County's revenue loss could be approximately \$3,000.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Iowa County Board of Supervisors hereby requests that legislation be introduced and enacted to reinstate the county's portion of the passport acceptance fees to \$30 per applicant in order to offset the actual costs incurred by county government to provide the passport issuance services by the Clerk of Court's office; and;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk shall provide a copy of this resolution to members of the United States Congress representing Wisconsin, State Legislators representing Iowa County and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Respectfully submitted by the Iowa County Justice Committee

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> Day of July, 2008