

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN: Your County Administration Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, on July 28, 2022, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services issued a Memorandum inviting Berrien County to apply to renew our Juvenile Justice Mental Health-Related Delinquency prevention grant in the amount of \$58,374; and

WHEREAS, this grant opportunity is intended to support programs/initiatives that will provide early intervention strategies for youth with mental health/substance abuse issues to get them needed assistance from the appropriate mental health/substance abuse disorder provider, in order to appropriately address these issues before those youth are referred to the Juvenile Justice system; and

WHEREAS, Berrien County received this grant previously for the 2021-2022 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Trial Court/Family Division is requesting authorization to submit an application to renew this grant to implement programs/initiatives that would involve a community collaboration with law enforcement agencies, community service providers and the Court to target strategies to provide early identification and intervention for those youth with mental health/substance abuse issues; and

WHEREAS, the target population for this program would be any youth between ages 0 to 18 with mental health or substance abuse issues; and

WHEREAS, the grant is effective from October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023, and there is no cash match required.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Berrien County Trial Court - Family Division to submit a grant application to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services for funding in the approximate amount of \$58,374 under the Juvenile Justice Mental Health-Related Delinquency Prevention – 2023 grant.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
BERRIEN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Jim Curran, Chairperson

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