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RESOLUTION 2017- 9 TO PRESERVE THE PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Michigan's public mental health system provides one of the broadest array of cutting edge, community-based mental health services and supports programs in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Senate and House sections 298/234 of the 2018 Budget recommendation effectively nullifies the duly authorized actions taken by Community Mental Health Service Programs to create a regional entity under section 330.204b of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and

WHEREAS, Community Mental Health Service Programs (CMHSPs) were created by County Boards of Commissioners as duly authorized under 330.1205 of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and

WHEREAS, Twelve CMHSPs (including Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties), representing twenty-one counties created a regional entity, Mid-State Health Network, a Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP), to manage Medicaid specialty services and supports, including Autism Benefits, Healthy Michigan Plan services and supports and Block Grant funded services and supports as duly authorized under 330.1204b of the Michigan Mental Health Code and other relevant statutes; and

WHEREAS, Clinton County Boards of Commissioners supports the preservation of the current public mental health system delivery and management through PIHPs and CMHSPs; and

WHEREAS, All twelve CMHSPs in the region support the preservation of the current public mental health system delivery and management through PIHPs and CMHSPs; and

WHEREAS, The 298 workgroup process initiated and led by Lt. Governor Calley was fair and objective and reflected the voices of thousands of consumers and the final report to legislators recommended the continuation of the publically managed behavioral health system; and

WHEREAS, Senate and House sections 298/234 of the 2018 Budget recommendation ignores that process and those voices and does nothing to lower costs, provide better care, or improve health outcomes for vulnerable population nor provides any details regarding purpose of integration; and

WHEREAS, Sections 298/234 of the 2018 Budget recommendations nullifies accountability to the Clinton County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Clinton County Board of Commissioners opposes Section 298/234 of the 2018 Budget recommendation to implement health plan led pilots; and

WHEREAS, Clinton County Board of Commissioners opposes the creation of a single private for profit health plan serving as PIHP for the State; and

WHEREAS, Sections 298/234 of the 2018 Budget recommendation will result in the elimination of public specialty mental health services that are accountable to the communities and persons residing in the jurisdiction of this County Board of Commissioners;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Clinton County Board of Commissioners supports the determination of the Section 298 Workgroup Final Report that a publicly managed behavioral health system would be in the best interest of Michigan's most vulnerable citizens: and therefore opposes Section 298/234 of the 2018 Budget recommendation and calls on the Governor, State Senate, and State House of Representatives to take actions to prevent it from becoming law.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF CLINTON

I, Diane Zuker, Clerk of the County of Clinton do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Clinton County Board of Commissioners at their meeting held May 30, 2017.

Diane Zuker, Clinton County Clerk