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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Trial Court-Family Division in partnership with the Family Empowerment Services, LLC (i.e. FES) continues their effort to expand the continuum of care designed to fully address the needs of juveniles and their families being served by the Family Division, and

WHEREAS, the Parenting with Love and Limits Diversion/Reentry programs as developed by the Savannah Family Institute Inc. are nationally recognized evidence-based models; These models are designed to provide office and home-based family centered treatment to delinquent youth and their families as a clinical and cost-effective alternative to out-of-home placements as well as facility based treatment to assist in the successful reintegration of youth back into the community from residential care, and

WHEREAS, the Trial Court-Family Division is committed to allocating resources up to $289,413.24 (subject to 50% reimbursement from the Child Care Fund) to serve up to 95 youth and families per year to best meet the needs of families in the most effective and comprehensive manner, and

WHEREAS, the January 1, 2020 through the December 31, 2020 rates will be billed at a contracted monthly billing rate of $24,117.77 and

WHEREAS, a PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT, has been mutually developed between the Berrien County Trial Court-Family Division and the Family Empowerment Services, LLC (i.e. FES) as licensed by the Savannah Family Institute as a Center of Excellence to implement the Parenting with Love and Limits/Reentry programs, and

WHEREAS, County Corporate Counsel has reviewed and approved the proposed PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT for Family Empowerment Services, LLC (i.e. FES) providing the Parenting with Love and Limits/Reentry programs as developed by the Savannah Family Institute Inc is approved effective January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
BERRIEN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Jim Curran, Chairperson

Michael J. Majerek, Vice-Chair Person

Don Meeks

Chris Heugel

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