

**TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY:** Your County Personnel and Human Services Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** the Berrien County Health Department (BCHD) provides family health support parenting education services and programs for families and partners across Berrien County through various models such as Taking Pride In Prevention, Michigan Adolescent Pregnant and Parenting Program (MI-APPP), Triple P Positive Parenting Program .Organizing and structure institution and community based process across sectors to ensure they promote and never inhibit achievement of equity in maternal- child health; and

**WHEREAS,** recent community need has led to internal program and serice growth over the past years, now encompassing additional program models and community coalitions such as Raising Up Healthy Babies Taskforce (addressing infant mortality reduction improving health outcomes), Taking Pride In Prevention ( a teen sexual health and healthy relationship initiative), Fatherhood mentorship and support networks, expanding community coalition work around issues parenting education, maternal and infant mortality, and childhood and infant death review; and

**WHEREAS,** the staffing changes proposed will allow for BCHD to appropriately support family health program functions, uphold program model fidelity expanding program delivery, continuing operations in accordance to established work plans by a variety of grant funders and ensure more cohesive alignment across department postions and function; and

**WHEREAS,** this proposed change is able to be supported through existing budget/funding. Board of Health endorses this resolution, pending approval of Corporate Counsel; and

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Health endorses this added position health educator, pending approval of Corporate Counsel.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Berrien County Board of Commisioners authorize the submission of the this added position.

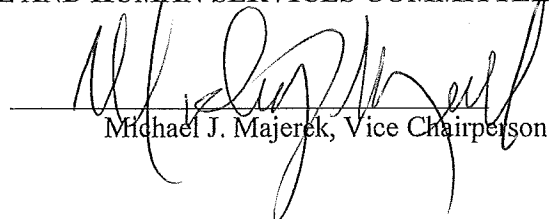
**ADD:**  
**1-Health Educator (1FTE)**  
**Grade: 8, Union**

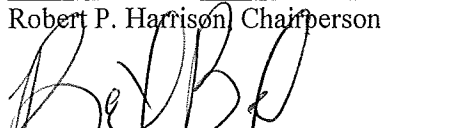
**Resolution endorsed by the  
BERRIEN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**

  
Margaret Kohring Cichen, Chair

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
BERRIEN COUNTY PERSONNEL AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

  
Robert P. Harrison, Chairperson

  
Michael J. Majerek, Vice Chairperson

  
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