

RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Human Services Board  
INITIATED BY

Human Services Board  
SUBMITTED BY



Charmian Klyve, Director  
DRAFTED BY

March 16, 2014  
DATE DRAFTED

**Opposing the State Budget Proposed Modifications in the Family Care Program**

- 1 **WHEREAS**, the 2015-2017 State proposed biennial budget makes rather dramatic changes in the manner
- 2 in which the current Family Care program operates by, among other things, integrating acute and primary
- 3 care into the Family Care program; and,
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- 5 **WHEREAS**, the proposed changes in Family Care: a) reduce legislative oversight of the Long Term
- 6 Care system; b) eliminates the current self-directed IRIS program; c) eliminates regional Managed Care
- 7 Organizations (MCO's), that are close to their communities; d) moves oversight of Family Care to the
- 8 Office of the Insurance Commissioner; and,
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- 10 **WHEREAS**, the majority of current Family Care MCO's will be replaced with statewide for-profit health
- 11 insurance companies, as the majority of the current Family Care organizations are not set up to operate as
- 12 a for-profit large health care entity capable of providing services throughout the State; and,
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- 14 **WHEREAS**, such significant proposed changes in the Family Care program did not involve Family
- 15 Care consumers, current Family Care MCO's, or aging and disability advocacy groups, wherein the
- 16 current Family Care program model involved over four years of planning with numerous stakeholders
- 17 and had bi-partisan support; and,
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- 19 **WHEREAS**, the current Family Care MCO's have been providing services effectively and efficiently
- 20 for many years saving the State taxpayers money and gradually reducing the Medicaid portion of the
- 21 budget related to Family Care; and,
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- 23 **WHEREAS**, the proposed modifications will likely disrupt the service delivery and caregivers to
- 24 nearly 55,000 older adults and individuals with disabilities within the State; and,
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- 26 **WHEREAS**, the current Family Care program enjoys a very high customer satisfaction rating.
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- 28 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
- 29 this 26 day of March, 2015 does hereby authorize that this resolution be provided to the
- 30 legislature opposing the State budget proposal that modifies the manner in which the current Family Care
- 31 program operates.

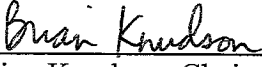
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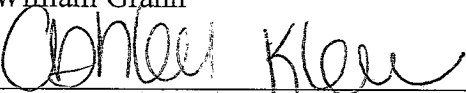
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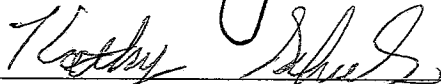
  
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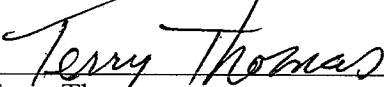
  
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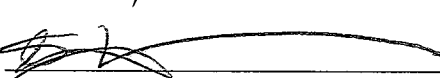
  
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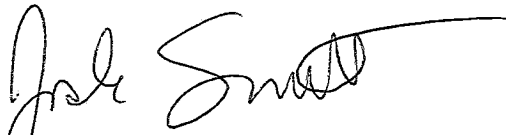
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Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

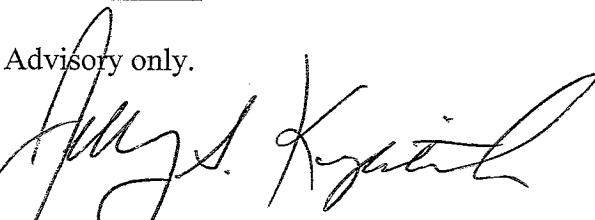
ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Matter of policy.

  
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Josh Smith  
County Administrator

LEGAL NOTE:

Advisory only.

  
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Corporation Counsel