

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE SIGNATURE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ON THE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON FOUNDATION FOR THE COMMUNITIES IN CHARGE: FINANCING AND DELIVERING HEALTH CARE FOR THE UNINSURED INITIATIVE FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$148,500 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2000 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2000;

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 9, 1999

WHEREAS, the County Administrator approved the submission of a grant application prepared by the Public Health Department to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) for grant funding to support the development of a community plan for financing and delivering health care for the uninsured in an amount of \$148,500 for the period of January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000; and

WHEREAS, access to health care for the uninsured has been identified as a key objective in both Washtenaw and Livingston County's health assessment and improvement plans; and

WHEREAS, this RWJF Grant offers funding that will enable collaboration between Washtenaw and Livingston County to create a Community Health Access Consortium (CHAC) to integrate existing and develop other potential health and human service resources in both counties in order to develop new strategies to organize and deliver health care services to the uninsured; and

WHEREAS, the CHAC, under the umbrella of Washtenaw County's Health Improvement Plan (HIP) and Livingston County's Healthy Livingston Plan, will be a broad based consortium with

members from health systems and health plans; local health departments; county human service agencies; physicians' organizations; civic organizations and the business community; consumers and other key stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, the Washtenaw County Health Department is designated as the lead organization under this RWJF initiative and Ellen Clement, Washtenaw County Health Officer will serve as the CHAC Chair; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that 11.6 percent of the project service area, or more than 50,000 individuals, currently do not have health insurance; and

WHEREAS, the initial plan developed would enroll 40%, or 20,000 of these uninsured individuals, after this first planning year; and

WHEREAS, this matter has been reviewed by Corporation Counsel, Finance, Human Resources, the County Administrator's Office and the Ways and Means Committee

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby ratifies the signature of the County Administrator on the application to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation for The Communities in Charge: Financing and Delivering Health Care For The Uninsured initiative in an amount of \$148,500 for the period January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000, as on file with the County Clerk

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners takes this action with the understanding that if the grant is awarded it will be brought back to the Board for appropriation of grant funds, amending the budget, authorizing delegate contracts and position modifications.