### IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

**A RESOLUTION** authorizing the County Executive to execute a Cooperative Agreement for Medical Examiner Services in 2009 with Platte County, Missouri, for compensation payable to Jackson County in the amount of \$72,542.00.

**RESOLUTION #16784,** December 8, 2008

INTRODUCED BY Theresa Garza Ruiz, County Legislator

WHEREAS, Platte County, Missouri, a county of the first class, is required by § 58.700 and § 58.705, RSMo, to appoint a physician duly licensed by the Missouri State Board of Healing Arts as Platte County's medical examiner; and,

WHEREAS, § 58.765, RSMo, authorizes any two or more counties to, by contract, join in the appointment of a county medical examiner to serve all such counties and requires the counties' governing bodies to approve the contract, administer the appointment, and allocate the costs among the counties; and,

WHEREAS, Mary H. Dudley, M.D., the duly appointed Chief Medical Examiner of Jackson County, is fully qualified, ready, and willing to serve as Platte County's Medical Examiner as well; and,

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Medical Examiner, Jackson County administration, and Platte County have agreed on an equitable arrangement for the funding of a joint medical examiner's office to be located at the site of the current Jackson County Medical Examiner's facility, which has worked satisfactorily for the past few years; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of both Jackson and Platte Counties that the counties cooperate in the joint funding and operation of a single medical examiner's office in 2009; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute a Cooperative Agreement for Medical Examiner Services in 2009 with Platte County, Missouri, in a form to be approved by the County Counselor, for compensation payable to Jackson County in the amount of \$72,542.00.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Chief Deputy County Counselor	County Counselor
Certificate of Passage	I.
I hereby certify that the attached res 2008, was duly passed on Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:	solution, Resolution #16784 of December 8, ber 2008 by the Jackson County ows:
Yeas	Nays
Abstaining	Absent
12.9.08	Mary & Spino
Date	Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature

### AGREEMENT FOR MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, by and between Jackson County, Missouri, a Constitutional

Home Rule Charter County of the State of Missouri, hereinafter called "Jackson

County," and Platte County, Missouri, a County of the First Class of the State of

Missouri, hereinafter called "Platte County," is made and entered into this Vay of December 2008.

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Platte County, Missouri, a county of the first class, is required by §§ 58.700 and 58.705, RSMo 2000, to appoint a physician duly licensed by the Missouri State Board of Healing Arts as Platte County's medical examiner; and,

WHEREAS, § 58.765, RSMo 2000, authorizes any two or more counties to, by contract, join in the appointment of a county medical examiner to serve all such counties and requires the counties' governing bodies to approve the contract, administer the appointment, and allocate the costs among the counties; and,

WHEREAS, Mary Dudley, M.D., the duly appointed medical examiner of Jackson County, is fully qualified, ready, and willing to serve as Platte County's Medical Examiner; and,

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Medical Examiner and Platte County have agreed on an equitable arrangement for the funding of a joint medical examiner's office to be located at the site of the current Jackson County Medical Examiner's facility; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of both Jackson and Platte Counties that the counties cooperate in the joint funding and operation of a single medical examiner's office; now therefore



In consideration of the above and foregoing and the promises and covenants herein contained, it is agreed by and between the parties as follows:

- I. Jackson County Medical Examiner Mary Dudley, M. D., shall continue to serve as the Platte County Medical Examiner.
- II. Jackson County shall provide and otherwise make available to Platte County all resources of the Jackson County Medical Examiner's office, for the purpose of allowing Dr. Dudley to discharge all responsibilities of the Platte County Medical Examiner as set out in Chapter 58, RSMo, as amended, in accordance with the standards of the National Association of Medical Examiners, in the same manner as for Jackson County cases.
- III. Jackson County shall be responsible for maintaining and storing all records of the Platte County Medical Examiner relating to cases investigated by that office arising on or after January 1, 1993, the date on which Jackson County began providing Medical Examiner services to Platte County. Platte County shall be responsible for maintaining and storing all of its medical examiner records relating to cases arising before that date.
- IV. Jackson County shall be responsible and provide all resources of the Jackson County Medical Examiners Office, for the purpose of handling all mass fatality incidents that occur in Platte County. The responsibility of requesting outside local, state or federal resources to assist with the recovery, identification, processing and releasing of decedents will fall under the authority of the Chief Medical Examiner of Jackson County, Missouri.

IX. This Agreement incorporates the entire Agreement and understanding of the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands and seals on the date first above written.

# **JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI**

PLATTE COUNTY, MISSOURI

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mark S. Jones County Counselor APPROVED AS TO FORM:

**Bob Shaw** 

County Counselor

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Michael D. Sanders County Executive Ву

Presiding commissioner

ATTEST:

Mary Jo Spino

Clerk of the County Legislature

ATTEST:

County Clerk

## **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify as follows:

- 1. That there is a sufficient unencumbered balance appropriated to satisfy in full the financial obligation imposed by this Contract; and
- 2. That there is a sufficient cash balance available in the treasury to satisfy in full the financial obligation imposed by this Contract.

Platte County Auditor