

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

**A RESOLUTION** authorizing the County Executive to execute a Cooperative Agreement for Medical Examiner Services with Cass County, Missouri, for compensation payable to Jackson County for the period July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018, in the amount of \$131,641.60.

**RESOLUTION NO. 19462**, April 24, 2017

**INTRODUCED BY** Crystal Williams and Theresa Galvin, County Legislators

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

WHEREAS, section 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, by Resolution 19003, dated November 16, 2015, the Legislature did authorize a twelve-month agreement for Diane Peterson, M.D., the duly appointed Chief Medical Examiner of Jackson County to serve as Cass County's Medical Examiner through December 31, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Medical Examiner, Jackson County administration, and Cass County have agreed on an equitable arrangement for the continued funding of

a joint medical examiner's office located at the site of the current Jackson County Medical Examiner's facility, which has worked satisfactorily for the past few years; and,

WHEREAS, the recommended agreement calls for the extension of the current Cooperative Agreement through June 30, 2017, at the previously agreed upon rates and the execution of a new twelve-month Cooperative Agreement through June 30, 2018, for compensation payable to Jackson County in the amount of \$131,641.60; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of both Jackson and Cass Counties that the counties cooperate in the joint funding and operation of a single medical examiner's office; 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 with Cass County, Missouri, through June 30, 2018, in a form to be approved by the County Counselor, for compensation payable to Jackson County in the amount of \$131,641.60.

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

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Chief Deputy County Counselor

  
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County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 19462 of April 24, 2017, was duly passed on May 1, 2017 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 5

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 1

5-1-17  
Date

  
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Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature