IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION expressing the intent of the Legislature to direct the Chief Lobbyist to advocate to the Missouri General Assembly in support of reproductive rights and funding for family planning clinics.

RESOLUTION NO. 21562, March 4, 2024

INTRODUCED BY Manuel Abarca IV and Donna Peyton, County Legislators

WHEREAS, by Resolution 20841, dated December 13, 2021, the Legislature awarded an eleven-month contract with two twelve-month options to extend Fred Dreiling, LLC, of Kansas City (Jackson County) MO, to serve as the Legislature's Chief Lobbyist; and,

WHEREAS, in this capacity, the Chief Lobbyist's responsibilities include assessing the current political climate in the State of Missouri, recommending appropriate strategies that would benefit the County, informing the Legislature on all pertinent legislative issues, and providing lobbying service as requested; and,

WHEREAS, The Legislature desires to direct the Chief Lobbyist to advocate in support of reproductive rights and access to abortions and other medically necessary procedures to protect the sanctity of a woman's bodily autonomy, and the support of funding Planned Parenthood clinics; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature does hereby direct the Chief Lobbyist to advocate in support of abortion rights and access to abortion and other medically necessary procedures in regard woman's bodily autonomy.