

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-4016

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RESOLUTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE AUTHORITY, PURSUANT TO HOME RULE CHARTER, SECTIONS 1-04, 3-01 AND 3-09, FOR THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE PARISH PRESIDENT, TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH NAMI ST. TAMMANY, INC. FOR THE PREVENTION OF SUICIDE.

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish has experienced a spike in suicides over several prior years; and

WHEREAS, NAMI St. Tammany, Inc. ("NAMI") is qualified to provide educational and support classes to reduce the incidents of suicide; and

WHEREAS, the Parish desires to provide funding resources to support community-based suicide prevention activities; and

WHEREAS, NAMI's mission is to increase awareness and advocate for families and individuals living with mental illnesses by providing prevention, education and training as primary pathways to better services and healthier communities through peer education groups, support groups, training programs and educational services for individuals, family members, health care providers and the public at large; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish has enacted a Public Health Tax. Funding initiatives for suicide prevention falls within the Public Health Tax Proposition.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that the Parish of St. Tammany, through the Office of the Parish President, pursuant to Home Rule Charter, Sections 1-04, 3-01 and 3-09, is authorized to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement, which meets or exceeds all of the requirements of Louisiana law and jurisprudence, with NAMI St. Tammany, Inc. for the purposes provided above, and to take any and all actions necessary in support of same.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: _____ SECONDED BY: _____

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE 3 DAY OF APRIL , 2014, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

R. REID FALCONER, AIA, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK

Resolution Administrative Comment

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St. Tammany Parish Government is seeking to enter into a new Cooperative Endeavor Agreement commencing in 2014 in order to continue the mental health counseling funding originating from a 2011 Cooperative Endeavor Agreement. Funding source is the public health tax, and funding for the 2014 calendar year is \$30,000.00.