

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-3670

COUNCIL SPONSOR: BINDER/BRISTER

PROVIDED BY: LEGAL DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE ST. TAMMANY PARISH, THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE PARISH PRESIDENT, TO SIGN AND/OR EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, THE 22ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY AND NAMI ST. TAMMANY, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF A CASE MANAGER FOR THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE COURT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Parish acknowledges an over-representation of persons suffering from mental illness in the criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, the Parish and the 22nd JDC have previously established a Community Resource Court Behavioral Health Program to serve as an alternative to incarceration for nonviolent, less-serious offenders suffering from mental illness and/or substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, the Community Resource Court Behavioral Health Program is designed to rehabilitate and treat offenders suffering from mental illness through regular and intense judicial supervision, substance abuse treatment and testing, educational opportunities, with appropriate incentives and sanctions; and

WHEREAS, NAMI St. Tammany, Inc. ("NAMI") is a not-for-profit tax exempt corporation which is qualified to administer the services of a Case Manager to the 22nd JDC's Community Resource Court Behavioral Health Program; and

WHEREAS, the Parish desires to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the 22nd JDC and NAMI St. Tammany, Inc. to provide funding to NAMI for a Case Manager to provide mental health case management services to the Behavioral Health Program.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that the Parish President is hereby authorized to sign and/or execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between St. Tammany Parish, the 22nd Judicial District Court for the Parish of St. Tammany and NAMI St. Tammany, Inc. in furtherance of the objectives stated above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all acts previously taken by the Office of the Parish President in furtherance of the actions or agreements contemplated herein are hereby ratified and approved.

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 7 DAY OF MARCH, 2013, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

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JERRY BINDER, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK

### **Resolution Administrative Comment**

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The Parish seeks to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the 22<sup>nd</sup> JDC and NAMI St. Tammany, Inc. for NAMI's provision of a case manager to the Community Resource Court Behavioral Health Program. Parish will reimburse NAMI up to an agreed upon amount for the salary of the case manager. This Cooperative Endeavor Agreement replaces a prior Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with only the 22<sup>nd</sup> JDC for payment of a case manager's salary, which was terminated effective January 14, 2013.