

**Subject: Resolution**

Good afternoon,

In response to our discussion last Thursday on the FY17 Executive Budget Proposal, attached for your review is a resolution to oppose Section 298 of the Executive Budget Proposal for FY17. This resolution is for the Gratiot County Board of Commissioners to adopt and send to the Governor, State Senate, and State House of Representatives to prevent Section 298 from becoming law. The 11 other CMHSP's in our region are using a similar resolution for their Board of Commissioners.

If there are no disagreements with the use of this resolution, I will ask that George please place this item on the agenda at the next Board of Commissioners meeting. Our leadership team would be willing to attend the meeting to answer questions if needed.

We have several other advocacy efforts underway that you will be seeing additional information on in the coming weeks. I will keep you updated as the events of this advocacy work unfold. Thanks.

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