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RESOLUTION 2016-6

TO OPPOSE SECTION 298 OF THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017

WHEREAS, Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties has served for more than 50 years as the public mental health and developmental disabilities services provider for the community, serving nearly 12,000 residents of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties each year; and

WHEREAS, Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, Ingham Counties was created by the Clinton, Eaton, Ingham County Boards of Commissioners as duly authorized under 330.1205 of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and

WHEREAS, Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties and 11 other community mental health service programs representing 21 counties created a regional entity to manage Medicaid specialty services as duly authorized under 330.1204b of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and

WHEREAS, Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties includes persons and family members of persons receiving mental health and disability services on the Board of Directors as required under 330.1222 of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and

WHEREAS, Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties and 11 other community mental health service programs representing 21 counties have required representation from local communities and persons and/or family members of persons receiving mental health and disability services be included on the regional entity Board of Directors managing Medicaid specialty services; and

WHEREAS, Section 298 of the Executive Budget recommendation for 2017 effectively nullifies the duly authorized actions taken by Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties and the 11 other community mental health service programs to create a regional entity under section 330.204b of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 298 of the Executive Budget recommendation for 2017 transfers all Medicaid and Healthy Michigan funding for specialty services to private entities with no accountability to the Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham County Boards of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Section 298 of the Executive Budget recommendation for 2017 transfers all Medicaid and Healthy Michigan funding for specialty services to private entities with no accountability to the persons and/or family members of persons receiving mental health and disability services from Community Mental Health Authority of Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties; and

WHEREAS, Section 298 of the Executive Budget recommendation for 2017 will result in the elimination of specialty mental health services that are accountable to the communities of persons residing in Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Clinton County Board of Commissioners opposes Section 298 of the Executive Budget recommendation for 2017 and encourages the Governor, State Senate, and State House of Representatives to prevent it from becoming law.

STATE OF MICHIGAN

COUNTY OF CLINTON

I, DIANE ZUKER, Clerk of the County of Clinton do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Clinton County Board of Commissioners at the regular meeting held February 23, 2016 and is on file in the records of this office.

Diane Zuker, Clinton County Clerk