

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY, GEORGIA TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RELATING TO THE EXPANSION AND SUPPORT OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACROSS THE CONTINUUM OF CARE.

WHEREAS, the governing authority of DeKalb County requests that the General Assembly increase the appropriation of funding to mental health programs across the State;

WHEREAS, the governing authority of DeKalb County believes adoption of legislation and the allocation of funding in this area is in the best interests of the citizens of DeKalb County; and

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners urges the General Assembly to appropriate State funding to increase the number of beds to 16 per mental health facility; and

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners urges the General Assembly to appropriate State funds to allow for care to be extended to the age of 26 from 24; and

WHEREAS, The DeKalb County Board of Commissioners urges the General Assembly to appropriate state funding for a pilot project establishing routine mental health screenings for middle school aged students in the State of Georgia;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing authority of DeKalb County, Georgia that the following is requested:

1. The General Assembly appropriate funding increasing the number of beds to 16 available at mental health facilities;
2. The General Assembly appropriate funding for extending the age range for mental health services to 16-26;
3. The General assembly appropriate funding for a statewide mental health screening program for middle school aged children;

ADOPTED by the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners, this ____ day of _____, 2019.

JEFF RADER
Presiding Officer
Board of Commissioners
DeKalb County, Georgia

APPROVED by the Chief Executive Officer of DeKalb County, this ____ day of _____, 2019.

November 14, 2018

MICHAEL L. THURMOND
Chief Executive Officer
DeKalb County, Georgia

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BARBARA SANDERS-NORWOOD, CCC
Clerk

VIVIANE H. ERNSTES
County Attorney