

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF FORT BEND §

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING DATA SYSTEMS THAT ALLOW COMMUNICATION BETWEEN JAILS, COURTS AND PROVIDERS

WHEREAS, Data integration between jail, court systems, jail medical provider, probation, public defenders and community services is a matter of life and death; and

WHEREAS, Individuals often give a “piece of paper” with bond conditions that include referral/ follow-up with behavioral health services. There is no system to track this or facilitate this linkage; and

WHEREAS, The best way to connect individuals in jail with services needed in an efficient and effective manor, is to use technology to transmit information where needed; and

WHEREAS, The lack of data shared systems and meaningful data keep individual in jail when they need to receive mental health assistance; and

WHEREAS, The use of shared technology will reduce bond revocations, incarcerations, and will improve functioning and self-sufficiency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS:

THAT ON DECEMBER 15TH, THE **FORT BEND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**, MEETING AS A BODY IN RICHMOND, TEXAS, ADOPTS THIS RESOLUTION AND URGES THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE CREATE LEGISLATION THAT SUPPORTS DATA SYSTEMS THAT ALLOW COMMUNICATION BETWEEN JAILS, COURTS AND PROVIDERS.

SIGNED THIS 15TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2020.

K.P. GEORGE
COUNTY JUDGE

VINCENT MORALES
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1

ANDY MEYERS
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3

JAMES “GRADY” PRESTAGE
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2

KEN R. DEMERCHANT
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 4

ATTEST:

LAURA RICHARD, COUNTY CLERK