

RESOLUTION NO. R-106-18

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE
AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF FORT SMITH
AND COUNTIES AND CITIES WITHIN THE SEBASTIAN COUNTY
MENTAL HEALTH CATCHMENT AREA CONCERNING THE
MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE
SEBASTIAN COUNTY REGIONAL CRISIS STABILIZATION UNIT**

WHEREAS, the Counties recognize that they have a responsibility to maintain and operate jails and acknowledge that there are increasing numbers of persons incarcerated in their respective county jails with mental health and co-occurring substance abuse issues and that jails are searching for alternative solutions to incarceration; and,

WHEREAS, in an attempt to address these growing concerns, the State of Arkansas enacted Act 423 of 2017, otherwise known as the Criminal Justice Efficiency and Safety Act of 2017, which authorized the opening of regional crisis stabilization units and provided partial funding for the staffing of said units; and,

WHEREAS, the Counties and Cities acknowledge that Sebastian County alone cannot, and should not, be solely responsible for the maintenance and operations of the SCRCSU; and,

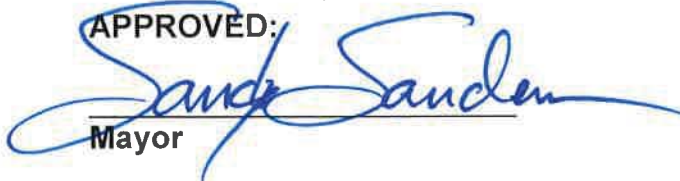
WHEREAS, the Counties and Cities desire to enter into a contractual agreement whereby County and City funds are made available to Sebastian County to assist in the maintenance and operation of the SCRCSU.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS, that:

The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the attached Interlocal Agreement Concerning the Maintenance and Operation of the Sebastian County Regional Crisis Stabilization Unit.

This resolution adopted this 24th day of July, 2018.

APPROVED:



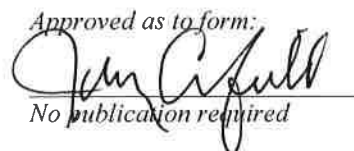
Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk

Approved as to form:



No publication required