

RESOLUTION NO. 23-18

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO ANNUALLY EXECUTE THE CERTIFICATION STATEMENT OF THE USE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC FUNDS AND LETTER OF AGREEMENTS WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA RELATED TO MEDICAID PUBLIC EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION (PEMT) AND MEDICAID PUBLIC EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION – INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER (PEMT-IGT) PROGRAMS TO OBTAIN SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES PROVIDED TO MEDICAID RECIPIENTS

WHEREAS the PEMT Program, implemented circa 2016 provides supplemental revenue to eligible public emergency medical transportation entities for unreimbursed cost for ambulance services provided to Medicaid recipients who are exempted from enrolling in Medicaid Medical Managed Assistance (MMA) Plans under Florida Statute 409.965. PEMT is a Certified Public Expenditure (CPE) Program;

WHEREAS the PEMT-IGT Program, implemented circa 2019, allows the state to annually distribute funds to public emergency medical transportation entities based on a calculation of the number of Medicaid recipients enrolled in MMA Plans in the region serviced by the provider. PEMT-IGT is not a CPE Program and involves an intergovernmental transfer of funds whereby, Pinellas County must pay an amount invoiced by the Agency for Healthcare Administration (AHCA) and then be returned an allotted distribution amount greater than the invoiced amount;

WHEREAS Pinellas County's participation in the PEMT and PEMT-IGT programs have resulted in average net annual ambulance program revenue of \$400,000 and \$4,700,000, respectively;

WHEREAS under delegated authority, the County Administrator would be approved to annually execute the PEMT Certification Statement for the Use of Certified Public Funds required for Pinellas County to receive PEMT funds, certify the PEMT Cost Report and meet the expedited timeframe in which these documents must be returned to the state;

WHEREAS under delegated authority, the County Administrator would be approved to annually execute the PEMT-IGT Letter of Agreement(s) required for Pinellas County to receive its annual program distribution and meet the expedited timeframe in which these documents must be returned to the state;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, Florida, in a public meeting duly assemble this 28th day of March 2023 that the County Administrator is authorized to execute the necessary Certifications and Letter of Agreement(s) with the state to receive eligible ambulance program revenue under the PEMT and PEMT-IGT Programs for ambulance services provider to eligible Medicaid recipients. PEMT and PEMT-IGT Reports will be provided to the Board annually.

Commissioner _____ Peters _____ offered the forgoing Resolution and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Commissioner _____ Scott _____, and upon roll call the vote was:

AYES: Long, Peters, Eggers, Justice, Latvala, and Scott.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Flowers.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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By: Jason C. Ester

By _____ Office of the County Attorney