

(Revising a Section of Pinellas County Code)

ORDINANCE 23-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF PINELLAS, PROVIDING THAT THE PINELLAS COUNTY CODE BE AMENDED BY REVISING SECTION 54-56 OF SAID CODE; PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE PINELLAS COUNTY MEDICAL CONTROL BOARD; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, The Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, sitting as the Pinellas County Emergency Medical Authority, selects the membership of the Pinellas County Medical Control Board from designated groups identified in section 54-45 of the Pinellas County Code;

WHEREAS, One member of the Medical Control Board has been selected by the Pinellas County Medical Society, but said Medical Society has recently cease to exist; and

WHEREAS, The Pinellas County Medical Control Board has found value in having a member with expertise in pediatric emergency medical care and is recommending that the Authority replace the emergency physician appointed by the county medical society with one emergency physician that specializes in pediatric care.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

SECTION 1. Section 54-56 of the Pinellas County Code is hereby amended, in part, to read as follows:

Medical control board means an 11-member board, appointed by the authority, consisting of four licensed physicians specializing in emergency medicine, selected from among the emergency department directors (or their designee) from the acute-care receiving facilities in the county, four administrators from hospitals, one emergency physician that specializes in emergency pediatric care, one emergency physician appointed by the county osteopathic society, and one physician from a trauma center.

SECTION 2. Severability. If any Section, Subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not be construed to render the remaining provisions of this Ordinance invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 3. Inclusion in Code. It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Pinellas County Code and that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the word “ordinance” may be changed to section, article or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such

intentions.

SECTION 4. Filing of Ordinance; Effective Date. Pursuant to Section 125.66, Florida Statutes, a certified copy of this Ordinance shall be filed with the Department of State by the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners within ten (10) days after enactment by the Board of County Commissioners. This Ordinance shall become effective upon filing of the ordinance with the Department of State.