

## **Order Authorizing Williamson County's Participation in a County Health Care Provider Participation Program, Collection of a Mandatory Payment, and Use of Funds from Mandatory Payments**

WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature enacted House Bill 3954, which added Chapter 292B to the Health and Safety Code and which went into effect immediately upon being signed by the Governor;

WHEREAS, pursuant to new Section 292B.003 of the Health and Safety Code, the commissioners court of a county may by order authorize the county to participate in a county health care provider participation program;

WHEREAS, the purpose of participation in a county health care provider participation program is to generate revenue from a mandatory payment that may be required by the county from an institutional health care provider to fund certain intergovernmental transfers;

WHEREAS, pursuant to new Section 292B.052 of the Health and Safety Code, the commissioners court of a county that participates in a county health care provider participation program may, by an affirmative vote of the majority of the members of the commissioners court, authorize the county to collect a mandatory payment from each institutional health care provider located in the county; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to new Section 292B.103, a county that participates in a county health care provider participation program may use the funds collected through mandatory payments only for specified purposes;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED that the Commissioners Court of Williamson County authorizes Williamson County to:

1. Participate in a county health care provider participation program;
2. Collect a mandatory payment from each institutional health care provider located in Williamson County; and
3. Use the funds collected through mandatory payments for the purposes specified in Section 292B.103.

Passed and approved this 31<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2017.

Passed and adopted this the 31<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2017.

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Dan A. Gattis, Williamson County Judge