TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY: Your County Personnel and Human Services Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Health Department has the statutory authority in accordance with the Michigan Public Health Code (P.A. 368 of 1978, as amended) and MDHHS policies and protocols to take measures to ensure the health and safety of our community during an epidemic. BCHD is required to implement strategies in support of ongoing efforts to mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and has received over \$3 million to date for these activities; and

WHEREAS, qualified nursing staff is critical to provide vaccinations as part of our ongoing pandemic response; and

**WHEREAS**, the staffing change proposed will allow for BCHD to appropriately support COVID-19 related activities particularly COVID-19 vaccinations and maintain departmental operations while funding exists; and

**WHEREAS**, the Health Department requests to add one fulltime public health nurse position to the BCHD staff complement:

## ADD:

Public Health Nurse II (1 FTE) Grade: 9 Effective Date: April 1, 2021

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED,** that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners authorizes the complement change for the Health Department effective April 1, 2021.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this position will be subject to elimination if funding is no longer available to support it.

## RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, BERRIEN COUNTY PERSONNEL AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

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