## RESOLUTION # 288-10-17-06

## RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE COUNTY MANAGEMENT OF THE ADULT MH/DD SYSTEM

Whereas, county property taxes have been and continue to be a major funding source for services to adults with MH/MR/DD/BI,

Whereas, beginning in 1994, the state began a process to fund a larger amount of the adult service system from state funds,

Whereas, beginning in 1994, the state embarked on a partnership with the counties to fund 50% of the "base" and all of the growth in the system,

Whereas, the counties agreed to manage the system with the combination of local, state and federal funds,

Whereas, the MH/DD/MR/BI Commission undertook a project to improve the system and in that evaluation confirmed that the adult disability service system should be managed by the counties,

Whereas, the county system has worked well for the past ten years,

Whereas, there is no evidence that a centralized system of services will provide better services for less money than the current system,

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Jackson County that the undersigned do hereby, request the Iowa Legislature to maintain its commitment to the local management of the adult MH/DD/MR/BI system in Iowa.

Approved this 17thday of Oct., 2006.

Chairperson, Board of Supervisors Jackson

County

DATE:

County Auditor