

Leelanau County Resolution 2023-

A Resolution to Support Leelanau Family Court Efforts to Develop Plans and Secure State Funding for a Local/Regional Facility for the Treatment and Short-Term Detention of Court-involved Youth

WHEREAS, the Leelanau County Board of Commissioners (LCBOC) is aware of the shortage of necessary beds in Northern Michigan to serve Court-involved youth in need of treatment and short-term detention; and

WHEREAS, the LCBOC believes these youth are deserving of a treatment and short-term detention facility within close proximity to their communities; and

WHEREAS, the LCBOC agrees with the Leelanau County Family Court that such treatment and short-term detention should only be used when all other community and home-based services have proven ineffective or insufficient; and

WHEREAS, the LCBOC understands the value of a partnership with the Grand Traverse County Family Court as a viable means to operate a facility for the treatment and short-term detention of area youth; and

WHEREAS, the LCBOC believes it is the responsibility of the State of Michigan to fund the purchase, construction and/or renovation of a facility to meet these needs of area youth; and

WHEREAS, the LCBOC is aware that the Leelanau and Grand Traverse County Family Courts have made requests for such funding through the legislative and appropriation process at the State level;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the LCBOC supports the efforts of the Leelanau and Grand Traverse County Family Courts to work with their respective County Administrators to develop a plan to acquire the necessary funding from the State of Michigan for the purchase, construction and/or renovation of a local/regional facility for the purpose of treatment and short-term detention of Court-involved youth.