

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PARTICIPATION IN THE ACCG - INTERLOCAL RISK MANAGEMENT AGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL MEDICAL, ACCIDENT, AND DISABILITY FUND

WHEREAS, Article 9, Section 3, Paragraph 1 of the Constitution of Georgia authorizes counties and other political subdivisions to contract with each other for activities which the contracting parties are authorized by law to undertake; and,

WHEREAS, Chapter 85 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated authorizes counties to execute intergovernmental contracts to form, and become members of, an interlocal risk management agency for the purpose of sharing the risks of accident, disability, supplemental medical, general liability, motor vehicle liability, property damage, or any combination of such risks with those of other counties; and,

WHEREAS, counties within Georgia have found it increasingly difficult to obtain commercial insurance protection, and have found the costs of such protection often exceed the ability of a county to pay; and,

WHEREAS, counties in Georgia need a stable method for managing their risks to avoid the unpredictable and cyclical nature of the commercial insurance market; and,

WHEREAS, many Georgia counties do not have sufficient resources to self-insure their risks on an individual basis; and,

WHEREAS, through the Association County Commissioners of Georgia, Georgia counties have created an intergovernmental risk management agency so that the Georgia counties may insure and/or self-insure their risks; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Rockdale is an existing member of the Association County Commissioners of Georgia – Interlocal Risk Management Agency (hereafter referred to as ACCG–IRMA), an interlocal risk management agency formed pursuant to Chapter 85 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, and previously has entered into an intergovernmental contract for the purpose of joining ACCG-IRMA and participating in the ACCG- IRMA Property and Liability Fund; and,

WHEREAS, ACCG-IRMA has also established a Supplemental Medical, Accident, and Disability Fund for the purpose of protecting against certain other liabilities imposed upon Georgia counties by state law; and,

WHEREAS, the governing authority of the County of Rockdale finds that it is in the best interest of its citizens to participate in the ACCG-IRMA Supplemental Medical, Accident, and Disability Fund,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing authority of the County of Rockdale, Georgia:

SECTION 1

The governing authority of the County of Rockdale hereby authorizes the County to become a participant in the ACCG-IRMA Supplemental Medical, Accident, and Disability Fund for the purpose of providing coverage for those risks imposed upon the County by state law and for which the Supplemental Medical, Accident, and Disability Fund has been established. The County's continuing participation in the ACCG-IRMA Property and Liability Fund is hereby confirmed.

SECTION 2

The **Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Rockdale County, Georgia**, is authorized to execute on behalf of the County any and all documents necessary and proper to become a participant in the ACCG-IRMA Supplemental Medical, Accident, and Disability Fund.

SECTION 3

The powers of ACCG-IRMA, unless the intergovernmental contract and ACCG-IRMA bylaws are amended, shall be limited to those authorized by Chapter 85 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, and the related Rules and Regulations of the Commissioner of Insurance of the State of Georgia.

SECTION 4

The continuing operations of ACCG-IRMA and the obligation of the County to fully participate in such operations shall be effectuated in accordance with the intergovernmental contract and ACCG-IRMA bylaws.

SECTION 5

The **Director of Legislative Affairs/County Clerk** is designated as the County's representative to ACCG-IRMA. The County may change its representative by informing ACCG-IRMA of the change in writing.


SECTION 6

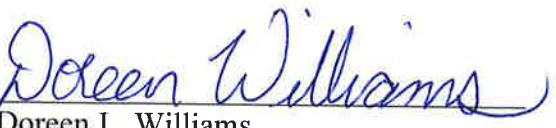
This resolution shall be effective upon its passage and approval.

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Approved this 9th day of January, 2018.

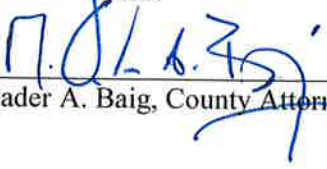
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