

**RESOLUTION 2017-059**

**A RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS THE SUPPORT OF THE ANDERSON COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE WORK OF THE ANDERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COMMITTEE (CJCC) AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the highest calling of local governments and law enforcement agencies is to ensure safety, welfare, and justice are accessible to the people they are charged to serve and protect in their jurisdictions; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Justice National Institute of Corrections, in its comprehensive review of the criminal justice system in Anderson County spurred by overcrowding at the Anderson County Detention Center, has suggested the creation of a countywide intergovernmental, interagency mechanism which will effectively bring together county, municipal, and justice system leadership to address strategically the root causes of jail overcrowding and other systemic criminal justice-related concerns; and

**WHEREAS**, this committee will be known as the Anderson County Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (CJCC), and its purpose will be to harness the collective criminal justice-related expertise of diverse community stakeholders; to provide ongoing feedback to local officials regarding the local criminal justice system; to propose improvements to policies and practices that affect the criminal justice system within the geographic area of Anderson County; and to offer ongoing input regarding efforts to implement changes to the local criminal justice system; and

**WHEREAS**, the Anderson County CJCC will develop a thorough understanding of the following: number and characteristics of persons arrested, persons admitted to jails, persons released from jails and their lengths of stay, persons detained pre-trial, and persons cited with a promise to appear in court; how jail bed space is being used; and how cases are processed from arrest to final disposition, particularly of persons who spend time in the jail system; and


**WHEREAS**, the Anderson County CJCC will develop recommendations about how Anderson County and its municipalities can better manage its criminal justice population, including issues related to optimal jail space, for consideration by policymakers, the public, and criminal justice agencies and stakeholders.

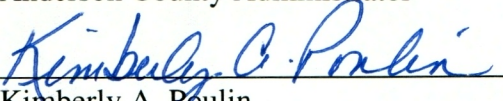
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, in meeting duly assembled that:

1. The Anderson County Council offers its full support to the Anderson County Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee and looks forward to partnering with the CJCC to make Anderson County a safer, healthier, and more just place for its citizens.
2. All orders and resolutions in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict only, repealed and rescinded.
3. Should any part or portion of this resolution be deemed unconstitutional or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such finding shall not affect the remainder of hereof, all of which is hereby deemed separable.
4. This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon enactment.


Resolved in meeting duly assembled this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2017.

**ATTEST:**

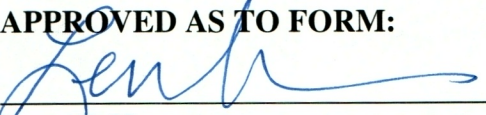
  
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**FOR ANDERSON COUNTY**

  
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Tommy Dunn, Chairman  
Anderson County Council

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
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