RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR EMERGENCY SPACE USAGE FOR LOCAL TRANSFER POINT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XIV, Section 18(2)(a) of the Constitution of Colorado and C.R.S. § 29-1-203, Adams County may enter into cooperative agreements with other entities for the provision of services; and,

WHEREAS, the Colorado Disaster Emergency Act, C.R.S. § 24-33.5-701, *et seq.*, authorizes and provides for coordination of activities relating to disaster prevention, preparedness, response and recovery by agencies and officers of the State of Colorado, including the Tri-County Health Department ("TCHD") and the County, to ensure an expedient, effective, and coordinated response to any natural or man-made disaster (hereinafter "Event"); and,

WHEREAS, in the event of a declared Event that impacts public health in the State of Colorado, the local and regional health and medical infrastructure (hereinafter "Medical Infrastructure") and the associated resources will quickly be committed to providing the necessary treatment and support to effectively respond to such an Event; and,

WHEREAS, should an Event occur, the existing local and regional Medical Infrastructure may also be compromised due to an overwhelming number of patients combined with a lack of adequate staff, and available equipment and pharmaceutical support due to the impacts and demands of the Event; and,

WHEREAS, resources from federal, state and private sector will quickly be mobilized to augment the Medical Infrastructure and support the effective management of hospital surge capacity needs and distribution of the Strategic National Stockpile ("SNS"); and,

WHEREAS, TCHD, under its authority through the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment ("CDPHE"), is one of the entities charged with specific duties in carrying out the distribution of the SNS from the Local Transfer Points ("LTP") to the area; and,

WHEREAS, TCHD, under its authority through the CDPHE, is one of the entities charged with developing plans to facilitate a response to a public health emergency, including an Alternate Care Facility Plan ("ACF Plan") to address hospital surge that exceeds the response available under the National Medical Response System; and,

WHEREAS, the County, pursuant to the Colorado Disaster Emergency Act, C.R.S. § 24-33.5-701, *et seq.*, is required to be responsible for the planning and coordination of the local disaster services, and the preparation of a local disaster emergency plan for the County and its citizens; and,

WHEREAS, TCHD and the County desire to enter into an Agreement for Emergency Space Usage for Local Transfer Point ("Agreement") and through the Agreement desire to designate a specific site as an ACF location and an LTP distribution location, and agree to the general terms and conditions of the designation. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners, County of Adams, State of Colorado, that the Agreement for Emergency Space Usage for Local Transfer Point between TCHD and Adams County, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, be accepted and approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners is authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of Adams County.