BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ADAMS COUNTY, STATE OF COLORADO

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER POSITION BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ARAPAHOE, COLORADO AND THE COUNTY OF ADAMS, COLORADO

WHEREAS, pursuant to Colorado Constitution, Article XIV, Section 18 and C.R.S. § 29-1-203, each Party has the legal authority to cooperate or contract with each other Party to provide any function, service, or facility lawfully authorized to each, and any such contract may provide for the sharing of costs, or other matters, for the purposes stated hereinafter; and,

WHEREAS, each county in Colorado has a veteran's service office that offers free assistance to veterans through a veteran's service officer(s) ("VSO"); and,

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora enjoys a strong partnership with both Arapahoe County and Adams County and supports the counties' efforts to provide assistance to veterans through their veteran's service offices located in Westminster (Adams) and Littleton (Arapahoe); and,

WHEREAS, with the opening of the VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System ("VA Hospital") in Aurora, the Parties believe that a placement of a VSO near the VA Hospital will be a great benefit to their resident veterans; and,

WHEREAS, the Parties have committed to a pilot program for one (1) year to share the responsibility of a VSO position on the terms and conditions stated in this Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, during this pilot program, Arapahoe County would employ the VSO, dividing the compensation evenly with Adams County, and host the position at Arapahoe County's location near the VA Hospital; and,

WHEREAS, during this pilot program, the City of Aurora will provide office equipment; and,

WHEREAS, the Parties agree that this additional VSO is needed to meet the needs of resident veterans from the area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners, County of Adams, State of Colorado, Agreement attached here and incorporated by reference herein for the Intergovernmental Agreement of the Veterans Service Officer position, is hereby approved.

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