State of Louisiana

Parish of Grant
In the Name and By the Authority of The Police Jury of Grant Parish

Motion by Mr. Mark Ball **, seconded by** Ms. Charline Roberts
and carried to adopt the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO: 06-2026

CREATING THE GRANT PARISH

CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES PLANNING BOARD

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 46:1941.1 et seq., as amended by Act 555 of 2004, mandates that the governing authority of each parish establish a children and youth planning board in each judicial district; and

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 46:1941.1 et seq., as amended by Act 555 of 2004, further provides that the parish's sole responsibility is the establishment and appointment of such board and that nothing in said statute mandates that the parish is responsible for funding the operational expenses of such board; now, therefore,

THE GRANT PARISH POLICE JURY HEREBY ORDAINS, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, and in accordance with the mandate of La. R.S. 46:1941.1 et seq., as amended by Act 555 of 2004, that: **SECTION 1** Ch. 2, Article VI of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended, by adding Division 19.7, entitled Children and Youth Planning Board, and Sec. 2-780.5 through 780.7 to read as follows:

DIVISION 19.7 Children and Youth Planning Board

Sec. 2-780.5 Created.

There is hereby created, in accordance with La. R.S. 46:1941.1 et seq., a board to be known as the Grant Parish Children & Youth Planning Board.

Sec. 2-780.6 Purposes and function of board

The purpose of the Grant Parish Children & Youth Planning Board is to participate in the formulation of and to prepare a comprehensive plan for services and programs for children and youth in Grant Parish as follows: to assist in the development, implementation, and operation of services which encourage positive development, diversion of children and youth from the criminal justice and the foster care system, reduction in the commitments of youth to state institutions, and providing community response to the growing rate of juvenile delinquency. The coordination and implementation of services shall include, but are not limited to prevention, early intervention, diversion, alternatives to home displacement, alternatives to incarceration, and treatment services. the assessment, alignment, coordination, prioritization, and measurement of all available services and programs that address the needs of children and youth including those at risk for, or identified with, social, emotional, or developmental problems, including, but not limited to educational failure, abuse, neglect, exposure to violence, juvenile or parental mental illness, juvenile or parental substance abuse, poverty, developmental disabilities and delinquency. The Board is intended to encourage collaborative efforts among local

stakeholders for assessing the physical, social, behavioral, and educational needs of children and youth in their respective communities and for assisting in the development of comprehensive plans to address such needs. The Board shall perform all services authorized by La. R.S. 46:1941.1 et seq.

Sec. 2-780.7 Composition; terms

The Grant Parish Children and Youth Planning Board shall consist of eleven members and shall include the following:

1) Ms. Felicia Allen
2) Mrs. Mattison Brevelle
3) Mrs. Charlene Anderson
4) Mrs. Jennifer Futrell
5) Mrs. Kathy McCain
6) Mrs. Sissy Pace
7) Mrs. Hallee Parker
8) Mrs. Laikyn Watley
9) Ms. Aimee White
10) Mr. Cephas Bowie Jr.
11) Judge Warren D. Willett
12) Ms. Nina Herndon
13) Kassie Cruise
14) Sheila Jackson

Members serve continuous terms until a successor is appointed by the Grant Parish Police jury. The Grant Parish Police Jury may remove and appoint members as necessary. The duties of the Board members shall be as provided in La. R.S. 46:1941.8.

WHEREUPON THIS ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED TO A VOTE AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING:

YEAS: 7 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 0

AND THIS ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED ON THIS 12th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026.

Jessie Pace
Secretary-Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury

Cephas Bowie, Jr.
President
Grant Parish Police Jury

CERTIFICATE

I, Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer of the Grant Parish Police Jury, do hereby certify the forgoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance adopted by the said Police Jury in a regular session on the 12TH day of November, 2026, at which a quorum was present.

Jessie Pace
Secretary/Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury