

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2023-3**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA ADOPTING A TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR THE TRANSPORT OF INDIVIDUALS UNDER CHAPTER 394, PART I, FLORIDA STATUTES, KNOWN AS THE FLORIDA MENTAL HEALTH ACT, A/K/A THE BAKER ACT, AND UNDER CHAPTER 397, FLORIDA STATUTES, KNOWN AS THE HAL S. MARCHMAN ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG SERVICES ACT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, Section 394.462, Florida Statutes, which is part of the Florida Mental Health Act, requires that each county develop and implement a transportation plan in collaboration with the State-recognized managing entity for mental health care for the region, which plan must describe the methods of transport to facilities designated for receiving individuals subject to involuntary examination under the Florida Mental Health Act or involuntary commitment for substance abuse pursuant to Chapter 397, Florida Statutes, known as the Hal S. Marchman Alcohol and Other Drug Services Act;

**WHEREAS**, In 2017, County staff worked with the Levy County Sheriff, Meridian Behavioral Health Care, Inc., and Lutheran Services Florida Health Systems which serves as the State-recognized managing entity for mental health care for the region (the “Managing Entity”) to develop the required transportation plan and on June 6, 2017, the Levy County Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”) adopted the transportation plan by Resolution 2017-029;

**WHEREAS**, In 2020, the Managing Entity requested that the County adopt a 2020 version of the transportation plan and the Board did so by adoption of Resolution 2020-082; and

**WHEREAS**, the Managing Entity has now requested that the County adopt a 2023 version of the transportation plan and the Board finds that it serves the public health, safety and welfare to do so.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of County Commissioners of Levy County, Florida, that:

1. The Levy County Behavioral Health Transportation Plan 2023 that is attached to this Resolution is hereby adopted as the County’s transportation plan required by Section 394.462, Florida Statutes, and will serve as such until repealed or replaced by adoption of a subsequent transportation plan.
2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**Adopted** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST: Clerk of the Circuit Court  
and Ex Officio Clerk to the Board

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Danny J. Shipp

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Matt Brooks, Chairman

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency

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Nicolle M. Shalley, County Attorney