

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AMENDING THE COUNTY'S PLAN FOR PROVIDING HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO ITS QUALIFIED RESIDENTS TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM INCOME LEVEL FOR QUALIFIED RESIDENTS TO AN AMOUNT WHICH IS AT OR LESS THAN THREE HUNDRED PERCENT (300%) OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL, RESTATING THE PLAN IN ITS ENTIRETY AND RENAMING IT THE "INDIGENT HEALTH CARE SURTAX USE PLAN," AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Polk County Ordinance 2015-076, the Polk County Indigent Health Care Plan Extension Ordinance, as amended (the "Ordinance"), provides that amendments to the County's plan (the "Plan") for providing health care services to qualified residents may be adopted by a Resolution which describes the Plan changes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Ordinance, the County must certify which residents are "qualified residents" for purposes of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Division recommends increasing the maximum income limits of qualified residents to 300% of the Federal Poverty Level; and

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Division further recommends restating and renaming the Plan so it more clearly reflects how the County is utilizing the indigent health care surtax funds to provide health care services to qualified residents; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has considered the recommended Plan revisions and determined it is in the best interests of the County and those individuals who would otherwise be considered as "qualified residents" to adopt the Plan revisions;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AT ITS DULY NOTICED REGULAR MEETING CONDUCTED JULY 21, 2026, THAT:

Section I. The Plan is revised to increase the maximum income limits of qualified residents to at or below 300% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Section II. The revised and restated Plan attached to this Resolution as Exhibit "A" is approved and shall hereafter be known as the Indigent Health Care Surtax Use Plan.

Section III. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN REGULAR SESSION THIS 21st DAY OF JULY, 2026.

ATTEST:
Stacy M. Butterfield, Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

By: _____
Martha Santiago, Ed.D., Chair