

RESOLUTION 1

Whereas opiate addiction has been recognized as a crisis in the health of the nation and throughout all communities; and

Whereas the Texas Health and Human Services Commission has documented a significant number of indigent individuals in Collin County who have been receiving Medication Assisted Treatment for opiate addiction; and

Whereas the Texas Health and Human Services Commission committed one time funds to the Local Behavioral Health Authority for the continuation of this treatment (both Methadone and Suboxone) during the transition to the new authority;

Therefore in order to protect and improve the health and safety of all Collin County residents, the Collin County Commissioners Court requests its legislative delegation to pursue continuation of those funds in the state budget for FY2018 and beyond, and to include flexibility for the Local Behavioral Health Authority to ensure funds and treatment are provided in the most effective and efficient manner.