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CREATION OF HEALTH BENEFITS PLANNING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the Consortium and its members to be aware of and understand best practices in health benefits systems as well as emerging models of health care that will serve the Consortium's mission of maintaining quality benefits to employees at a lower cost to taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, with the introduction of national health care reform, it is also essential that the Consortium be aware of and understand changes in the delivery and financing of health care that may carry both positive and negative impacts for the Consortium and its members; and

WHEREAS, while seeking expert advise, the Consortium does not wish to diminish or alter any of the powers granted to the Board or to the joint labor management committee; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that the expertise needed to identify, understand, and articulate all such areas of interest to the Consortium may not reside within the Consortium or its members, but may exist in the broader community of employers, providers, and other non-governmental sources; Now Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Consortium seeks to draw from the knowledge and expertise regarding health care, health benefits, and health benefits financing that exists within Tompkins County through the creation of an Advisory Committee that will be co-chaired by Board members and consist of as many Board members as want to participate, and municipal human service personnel, member of the provider community, ex-officio members from large employers in the County (i.e. Cornell, IC, BOCES, etc.), a representative of the Health Planning Council, and independent technical experts selected by the Board,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Planning Committee shall advise the Board of alternative models and benefit plans in use elsewhere, changes in Health Insurance and Health Care Law, seek potential opportunities to collaborate with other employers and health care providers to provide higher quality more cost effective service, and other projects as assigned by the Board.

Moved: Don Barber Seconded: Elizabeth Conger
Vote: 8-0 Unanimously approved

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss:
COUNTY OF TOMPKINS)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution adopted by the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium on the 23rd day of September 2010.

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Judith C. Drake, Secretary,
Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium