

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LOWNDES COUNTY, GEORGIA TO APPROVE THE EXECUTION, DELIVERY AND PERFORMANCE OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONTRACT BETWEEN LOWNDES COUNTY, GEORGIA AND THE HOSPITAL AUTHORITY OF VALDOSTA AND LOWNDES COUNTY, GEORGIA AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IX, Section I, Paragraph I of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Lowndes County, Georgia (the "County") is a body corporate and politic; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 36-5-20 and applicable local Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Georgia, the Board of Commissioners of Lowndes County, Georgia (the "Board of Commissioners") is the governing authority of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Hospital Authority of Valdosta and Lowndes County, Georgia (the "Authority") was duly created and is validly existing pursuant to the Hospital Authorities Law of the State of Georgia (O.C.G.A. Section 31-7-70, et seq. as amended) (the "Act"), and by a resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Valdosta, Georgia, adopted on December 10, 1947, as supplemented, and a resolution of the Board of Commissioners, adopted on December 17, 1947, as supplemented; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IX, Section III, Paragraph I(a) of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, the state, or any institution, department, or other agency thereof, and any county, municipality, school district or other political subdivision of the state may contract for any period not exceeding 50 years with each other or with any other public agency, public corporation or public authority for joint services, for the provision of services, or for the joint or separate use of facilities or equipment, but such contracts must deal with activities, services, or facilities which the contracting parties are authorized by law to undertake or provide; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IX, Section III, Paragraph I(c) of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, any county, municipality or any combination thereof, may contract with a public agency, public corporation or public authority for the care, maintenance, and hospitalization of its indigent sick and may as a part of such contract agree to pay for the cost of the acquisition, construction, modernization or repairs of necessary land, buildings, and facilities by such public agency, public corporation, or public authority and provide for the payment of such services and the cost to such public agency, public corporation or public authority of acquisition, construction, modernization, or repair of land, buildings, and facilities from revenues realized by such county, municipality, or any combination thereof from any taxes authorized by the Constitution of the State of Georgia or revenues derived from any other source; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the Authority is empowered to construct projects as defined by the Act, including hospitals; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article IX, Section II, Paragraph III of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, the County is empowered to provide public health care facilities and services, including hospitals; and