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Memorandum

To: **Livingston County Board of Commissioners**

From: **Karen Groenhout, Livingston County Public Defender**

Date: **November 10, 2020**

Re: **Resolution Authorizing the Creation of a Public Defender II Position.**

The Livingston County Public Defender's Office has been operational approximately one year. At the time of the original organization of the office the number of attorneys and hearings were were unknown. Since that time, it is clear that we require a full time attorney to cover arraignments. Therefore, at this time the Public Defender's Office is requesting approval to hire a full time Pubic Defender II. This change was built into our request for grant funding through the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission and was approved in the annual grant.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me directly.