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Resolution Authorizing APA 2 Position - Prosecutor Office

WHEREAS, COVID shutdowns have led to an extreme backlog of felony cases awaiting trial which according to John Nevin spokesperson for the State Court Administrators Office has created a 50% greater caseload than a year ago and which will take an extended period of time to get through; and

WHEREAS, the Livingston County Trial Courts have only recently started to conduct felony trials on a phased in basis which will increase as conditions allow; and

WHEREAS, the backlog of felony trials will result in a significant strain on the resources of the Prosecutor's office to attend to the increased felony trial demand faced by the Courts; and

WHEREAS, at the same time as felony trials are commencing the Prosecutors Office is faced with an APA staff shortage of 4 assistant prosecutors going on FMLA leave over a rolling time period of July 2021 until February of 2022; and

WHEREAS, the ability of the Prosecutor's Office to conduct felony trials is essential to the public safety of Livingston County residents.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby approves an additional FTE for the Prosecutor's Office of an APA 2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby approves a supplemental appropriation to the 2021 Prosecutor Budget in the amount needed to fund the position for the balance of the year, as documented by finance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the addition of an APA 2 position with the condition that any APA position that may become vacant in the future would not be backfilled without specific justification being provided to the Livingston County Board of Commissioners and this Board approving the same.

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