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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 109

1 BY HOUSER, MYERS, CARROLL, ARNOLD, FOEGE, GRUNDBERG,
2 JOCHUM, HEATON, MERTZ, MUNDIE, and VANDE HOEF
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4 A House Resolution recognizing the positive contributions
5 realized from county implementation of a single entry
6 point process for mental health, mental retardation, and
7 developmental disabilities (MH/MR/DD) services known as
8 the central point of coordination or "CPC" system.

9 WHEREAS, Iowa has a long history of county
10 leadership in the provision of MH/MR/DD services to
11 the citizens of this state; and

12 WHEREAS, Iowa policymakers have focused on
13 reforming the MH/MR/DD service system in order to
14 provide high quality, cost-effective services to best
15 meet the needs of service consumers; and

16 WHEREAS, the county management plan approach was
17 established as a key element of reforming MH/MR/DD
18 services by employing professional qualified staff,
19 developing a system of accountability and control,
20 improving planning processes by formalizing the
21 processes, increasing the involvement of stakeholders,
22 improving coordination of services, and assuring the
23 appropriateness of the services authorized; and

24 WHEREAS, the CPC staff have become highly visible,
25 vital contributors to implementing reform of the
26 MH/MR/DD service system by planning, working with
27 providers, making eligibility determinations,
28 authorizing funding for services, making referrals,
29 monitoring and coordinating services, tracking and
30 evaluating services, and providing quality assurance;

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1 and

2 WHEREAS, CPC staff are qualified by education,
3 demonstrated competency in program administration and
4 in human services, and experience in working with
5 persons with disabilities, and bring many other
6 competencies in serving persons with disabilities; NOW
7 THEREFORE,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE, That the House of
9 Representatives recognizes the important role of CPC
10 staff in implementing MH/MR/DD service system reform
11 beginning with the initial CPC appointments in 1994
12 and continuing with appointment of a CPC for every
13 county as of July 1, 1996; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the House of
15 Representatives anticipates that many challenges lie
16 ahead as system reform evolves and expresses
17 confidence that the CPC staff will continue to provide
18 leadership in addressing these challenges by bringing
19 people together, making good recommendations, and
20 empowering persons with disabilities; and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an official copy of
22 this resolution be prepared and presented to the Iowa
23 State Association of Counties.

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