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**Endorsement of Raising KC's  
Public Health Campaign  
for Children's Mental Health**

**Introduced by Sandra E. Jiles**

Whereas, the Board of Trustees of the Jackson County Community Mental Health Fund, doing business as the Community Mental Health Fund is a public fund whose mission is to support a network of quality mental health services for persons with mental illness, that are equitably accessible and responsive to the varied and unique needs of Jackson County residents, and has made ongoing investments in trauma-informed care, and

Whereas Raising KC is a public health campaign organized as a Foundation that seeks to help every adult in KC help prevent toxic stress for every child, and

Whereas Raising KC's emphasis in prevention of toxic stress is promoting safe, stable, nurturing relationships between adults and children, and

Whereas Raising KC's public health campaign seeks to engage everyone in the Kansas City community - neighbors, parents, educators, coaches, business and city leaders, grandparents, and healthcare providers – to create nurturing relationships that positively impact a child's life, and

Whereas Raising KC's public health campaign aligns research and best practice on preventing toxic stress for every child, communicates these concepts to essential audiences such as parents, teachers and helping professionals in a useful and understandable way, and disseminates evidence-based practices to the larger community for awareness and implementation, and

Whereas Raising KC has been endorsed by a growing number of Community leaders and CMHF partner agencies including the Greater Kansas City Mental Health Coalition, Advent Health, Public Library Systems, Union Station, Beacon Mental Health, Cornerstones of Care, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, Black Health Care Coalition, the Children's Place, and many others; Therefore:

CMHF expresses gratitude to Raising KC for its leadership and support for community engagement on Children's Mental Health and endorses its diligence and evidence-based approach to building safe, stable, nurturing relationships between adults and children.

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