TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY: Your County Finance Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the current Drain System application is written and maintained on the County mainframe by the Berrien County Information Systems Department, and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive plan to migrate all mainframe applications to network applications is in process, and

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Drain Commissioner and Information Systems Director have reviewed software options and interviewed the selected vendor, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of Berrien County and Berrien County Drain Office to maintain a County-hosted application for the Drain System application, and

WHEREAS, the proposed contract from ARES Prism has been reviewed and approved by Corporate Counsel, and

WHEREAS, this project will be implemented in one phase and should be completed by December 31, 2019, and

WHEREAS, this project is budgeted in the 2019 Capital project budget and the funds for this project are available, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that this Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chairperson to sign contracts in order to purchase the necessary software and professional services to implement the Drain System application from ARES PRISM at a cost not to exceed \$118,000.00:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board of Commissioners authorizes Information Systems to purchase the necessary hardware to implement the Drain System application at a cost not to exceed \$7,000.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, BERRIEN COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mamie L. Yarbrough, Chairperson

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