Resolution No. 2025-27

A RESOLUTION OF THE WAYNE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DESIGNATING A HIPAA PRIVACY OFFICER AND A HIPAA SECURITY OFFICER AND DEFINING RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER HIPAA

WHEREAS, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), as amended by the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act, requires covered entities to designate responsible individuals for the protection of protected health information (PHI) and electronic PHI (ePHI); and

WHEREAS, Wayne County, Iowa, must meet administrative, technical, and physical safeguards as outlined in the HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules (45 CFR Parts 160, 162, and 164); and

WHEREAS, the County must ensure clearly defined roles and responsibilities for compliance, oversight, and response activities relating to HIPAA-regulated information;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Wayne County, Iowa, as follows:

Section 1. Designation of HIPAA Privacy Officer

The Board hereby designates **Susan Moore** as the **HIPAA Privacy Officer** for Wayne County.

Responsibilities include:

- Managing Authorizations for release of PHI
- Overseeing **Disclosures** of PHI to ensure compliance
- Issuing and maintaining Notices of Privacy Practices
- Handling Requests for Information by patients or third parties
- Maintaining records of the Accounting of Disclosures
- Receiving and resolving Complaints related to privacy violations
- Contributing to Policies and Procedures relating to privacy standards
- Participating in Monitoring of compliance processes

Section 2. Designation of HIPAA Security Officer

The Board hereby designates **Chase Clark** as the **HIPAA Security Officer** for Wayne County.

Responsibilities include:

- Developing and maintaining the System and User Access Model
- Designing and implementing Security Architecture
- Conducting Threat Analysis to identify potential risks to ePHI
- Defining and overseeing Information Classification methods
- Maintaining Metrics and Reporting related to system security
- Contributing to Policies and Procedures for security management
- Participating in Monitoring of technical and administrative safeguards

Section 3. Shared Responsibilities

The HIPAA Privacy Officer and Security Officer shall jointly coordinate on areas of overlap and interdependent operations, including:

- Monitoring HIPAA compliance through audits and internal reviews
- Developing, updating, and enforcing Policies and Procedures
- Ensuring Regulatory Compliance with all HIPAA rules and amendments
- Coordinating Training and Awareness programs for county staff
- Responding to and documenting incident Handling procedures
- Conducting and updating Risk Management assessments

Section 4. Authority and Support

The designated Officers shall be granted the authority, resources, and cooperation necessary to perform their duties effectively. Coordination with legal, technical security officers, and other stakeholders shall be ensured for full program support.

This resolution shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.
PASSED AND APPROVED this 10 day of June, 2025.
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Wayne County, Iowa By:
Michelle Dooley

Section 5. Effective Date

[Auditor Name], County Auditor