RESOLUTION NO. RS-2022- 28

(Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchase [INTG-22-0096] Virtual Reality Interactive Learning System)

RECITALS

The Code of Public Local Laws of Washington County, Maryland (the "Public Local Laws"), §1-106.3, provides that the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the "Board"), "may procure goods and services through a contract entered into by another governmental entity in accordance with the terms of the contract, regardless of whether the county was a party to the original contract."

Subsection (c) of §1-106.3 provides that "A determination to allow or participate in an intergovernmental cooperative purchasing arrangement under subsection (b) of this section shall be by resolution and shall either indicate that the participation will provide cost benefits to the county or result in administrative efficiencies and savings or provide other justifications for the arrangement."

The Division of Emergency Services is requesting to purchase a Virtual Reality Interactive Learning System for the total cost in the amount of \$227,810, and to utilize another jurisdiction's contract that was awarded by Calhoun Community College (Contract #CCC 21-35) to Echo Healthcare, Inc., of Sarasota, Florida.

Utilizing the Calhoun Community College contract and eliminating the County's bid process result in administrative and cost savings for the Division of Emergency Services. The County will benefit with direct cost savings because of the economy of scale the aforementioned contract has leveraged. Additionally, the County will realize administrative efficiencies and savings as a result of not preparing, soliciting, and evaluating bids.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board, pursuant to §1-106.3 of the Public Local Laws, that the Division of Emergency Services is authorized to purchase, pursuant to the contract awarded by Calhoun Community College (Contract #CCC 21-35) to Echo Healthcare, Inc., of Sarasota, Florida, one (1) Virtual Reality Learning System, at a total cost of \$227,810.00.

Adopted and effective this 4th day of August, 2022.

ATTEST:

Krista L. Hart, County Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

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Jeffrey A. Cline, President

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