A Resolution Enacting a Drug Court Fee and Establishing the Drug Court Fee Fund

WHEREAS, the Macoupin County Drug Court began providing services on January 1, 2012 to assist nonviolent, high-risk/high-need repeat offenders with rehabilitation from the abuse of drugs and/or alcohol while reducing criminal behavior through a collaboration of court, legal, clinical, and community resources; and

WHEREAS, the Macoupin County Drug Court currently operates without any dedicating funding, and the collection of a Drug Court Fee will provide beneficial financial resources to the program while reducing its reliance on funding from other County offices to cover expenses; and

WHEREAS, 55 ILCS 5/5-1101(f) allows all counties with a drug court program to adopt a mandatory fee of up to \$5 to be assessed as provided by statute and be used specifically for the operation and administration of the drug court; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Macoupin County Board, that a mandatory Drug Court Fee in the amount of \$5 shall be established, assessed and collected as provided by 55 ILCS 5/5-1101(f); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Macoupin County Board, that the Treasurer shall establish the Drug Court Fee Fund as a special fund in the County Treasury which shall receipt and expend monies consistent with State and Federal laws and under the authorization of the Presiding Resident Judge; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Macoupin County Board, that the Clerk of the Circuit Court shall collect the Drug Court Fee and remit the fees into the Drug Court Fee Fund, less 5%, which shall be retained as fee income to the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court and deposited into the Circuit Clerk Operational Fund to be used to defray the costs of collection and disbursement of the Drug Court Fee.