RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2019-601

MEETING: October 15, 2019

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Health and Human Services Director

RE: North Valley Behavioral Health Inpatient Services Agreement with Behavioral Health

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an Agreement with North Valley Behavioral Health to provide inpatient hospital services for Mariposa County Health and Human Services Agency in an amount not to exceed $235,000; and authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to sign the Agreement.

The County does not operate inpatient hospital facilities and therefore contracts for such placements. Multiple agreements are necessary to meet the potential need for mental health emergency services because beds are in short supply throughout California. If the County limits the number of agreements, there may come a time when someone is a danger to themselves or others and no bed space is available.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The existing agreement was approved by the Board of Supervisors on June 12, 2018 through Resolution Number 2018-261.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If this agreement is not approved, Behavioral Health crisis response workers may have greater difficulty in placing clients who require emergency psychiatric hospitalization.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
This contract will be paid from the Mental Health budget unit 001-0402. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
NVBH Agreement 2020 - Wcsignature (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
SECONDER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
AYES: Merlin Jones, Marshall Long, Kevin Cann, Miles Menetrey
EXCUSED: Rosemarie Smallcombe