

RESOLUTION 2019 - 108

**A RESOLUTION DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO THE LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
CORONER STAFF TO SIGN CREMATION ORDERS WHEN NECESSARY**

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) wishes to enter into a contract with the local funeral homes to cremate abandoned bodies; and

WHEREAS, there are times when the families of the deceased cannot or will not make the necessary arrangements for disposition of the body; and

WHEREAS, after working with the family to attempt to have the family sign a cremation order for the body, the BOCC has the authority to sign the cremation order if the family refuses to sign; and

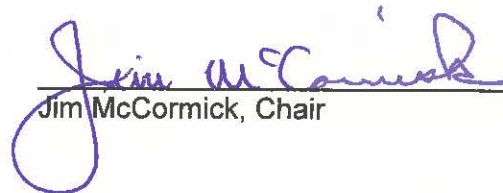
WHEREAS, the BOCC wishes to delegate the authority to sign the cremation order to the Coroner staff; and

WHEREAS, the coroner's office has a procedure for attempting to contact and work with the family of the deceased prior to assuming authority over the body.

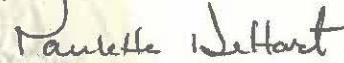
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Lewis and Clark County Board of County Commissioners that it does hereby delegate the authority to sign cremation orders for abandoned bodies to the Lewis and Clark Coroner's office.

Dated this 10th day of December, 2019

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY


Jim McCormick, Chair

ATTEST:


Paulette Dehart, Clerk of the Board

