

RESOLUTION 2022-10
RESOLUTION TO CONSIDER THE FUNDING OF AN ADDITIONAL COURT

WHEREAS, the Vigo County Courts have the third highest caseload in the state of Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Vigo County currently operates with six Superior Courts, one being a hybrid Circuit Court, and also employ a Juvenile Magistrate and a Title IVD Commissioner, and

WHEREAS, to address the growing number of cases, the Vigo County Courts have established six problem solving courts, and have combined and shared resources and services of programs within the Vigo County Court system; and

WHEREAS, the Vigo County Courts have utilized that assistance of a Senior Judge to hear the mushrooming number of CHINS cases filed in Juvenile Court, but said Senior Judge's availability will end on December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Juvenile Court's caseload has hovered between 2.5 and 3.0 times the recommended caseload under the state's weighted caseload system for the last several years; and

WHEREAS, the Superior Court Judges believe that adding an additional court would better serve the needs of the citizens of Vigo County.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Vigo County Council agrees that there is need to add an additional court to better serve the needs of the citizens of Vigo County, supports a request of the Vigo Superior Courts to add an additional court, and would reasonably consider the request of the Vigo Superior Courts to the Vigo County Council for the county portion of funding such additional court as requested in its letter to the Council dated July 18, 2022.

Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in full and adopted as written this 9th day of August 2022.

Aye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	R. Todd Thacker	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>		
Aye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	Vicki Weger	
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Aye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	Aaron Loudermilk, President	
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Attest:



James W. Bramble
Vigo Auditor