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Mayor Mark D. Bogen Broward County Governmental Center 115 South Andrews Avenue, Room 421 Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

Dear Mayor Bogen:

As the Chair of the Children's Services Board (CSB) and pursuant to the Broward County Advisory Board Policies as revised in April 2010, I would like to recommend the Broward County Board of County Commissioners' approval of the CSB's funding reallocation recommendations for the Human Services Department, Community Partnerships Division, Children's Services Administration Section contracts for Fiscal Year 2019.

The funding reallocations will help address critical needs in our community for Behavioral Health treatment services for children with substance abuse problems or co-occurring disorders and Respite Care for families with children who have special needs. Because the action can be accomplished through the reallocation of existing dollars, it does not require additional County funds. Approving this action will ensure the most effective and efficient use of currently budgeted resources to serve the greatest number of children by providers that have a proven record of accomplishments.

The CSB strongly supports these recommendations and hopes that they meet with the Commission's approval.

Please know that the CSB recognizes all that the Broward County Commission does to improve quality of life for children in our community. We greatly appreciate the Commission's steadfast support for services that adhere to high standards and lead to positive outcomes for children.

Sincerely,

Karen Swartzbaugh, Chair

Broward County Children's Services Board

ce: Broward County Board of County Commissioners Bertha Henry, County Administrator