

## RESOLUTION 12-01-2019

### A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A LEVEL TWO PEDIATRIC TRAUMA CARE UNIT IN THE CENTRAL AREA OF UTAH COUNTY

**WHEREAS**, Utah County is one of the fastest growing counties in the nations and is the fastest growing county in the State of Utah; and

**WHEREAS**, the current population of Utah County is approximately 622,000 and the Kem C. Gardner Institute, of the University of Utah, forecasts that Utah County will double in population by 2050; and

**WHEREAS**, there are over 300 pediatric trauma cases in Utah County each year; and

**WHEREAS**, according to national standards, in areas with over 100 pediatric trauma cases, it is recommended to have at least a level two pediatric trauma system in place; and

**WHEREAS**, currently most of the pediatric trauma cases within Utah County need to be transferred to Primary Children's Hospital in Salt Lake County; and


**WHEREAS**, transportation costs, financial burden, inconvenience and logistical concerns for families are reasons to support the creation of a level two pediatric trauma care unit in the central area of Utah County; and

**WHEREAS**, the benefits of having a pediatric trauma care unit in the central area of Utah County include, improved outcomes, survival, patient access, expanded medical services, education outreach and reduction of cost and stresses;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Santaquin City Council that it supports the creation of a Level Two Pediatric Trauma Care Unit in the central area of Utah County and encourages local and regional medical organizations to work together to bring this needed facility to fruition in a timely manner.

Passed and adopted by the Santaquin City Council this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.



  
Kirk F. Hunsaker, Mayor

Attest:

  
K. Aaron Shirley, City Recorder