

WHEREAS, Fulton State Hospital is the state's only maximum security psychiatric facility and plays a vital role in the public safety of the state and the economy of the region;

WHEREAS, legislators on both sides of the aisle recognize that the facilities are antiquated and deteriorating and are a threat to the safety of its patients and their caregivers;

WHEREAS, replacing the aging facilities at Fulton State Hospital could be a significant factor toward improving care for patients and safety for employees, while potentially reducing costs related to repairs and utilities;

WHEREAS, building a new high and intermediate security complex at Fulton State Hospital has the potential of adding new jobs and boosting economic activity in the region short term during the construction phase;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The City of New Bloomfield on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 2014 hereby urges the state of Missouri's ninety-seventh General Assembly to appropriate funding that does not require bond issuances without the vote of the people to construct a new maximum and intermediate security psychiatric facility at Fulton State Hospital.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2014.

  
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Michael Lowe, Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Terra Guittar, City Clerk