

## COUNTY LOCAL LAWS

TO ATTEST TO THE COUNTY SEAL.

SECTION 1011. CUSTODY OF PAPERS AND RECORDS. THE COUNCIL SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE CUSTODY AND SAFEKEEPING OF ALL DEEDS, BONDS, CONTRACTS, RELEASES, AND OTHER PAPERS AND INSTRUMENTS INVOLVING THE INTERESTS OF THE COUNTY.

SECTION 1012. SUBPOENA POWER. THE COUNCIL SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO ADMINISTER OATHS, TO COMPEL THE ATTENDANCE OF WITNESSES, AND TO REQUIRE THE PRODUCTION OF RECORDS AND OTHER MATERIALS IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INVESTIGATION, INQUIRY, OR HEARING AUTHORIZED BY LAW OR BY THIS CHARTER.

SECTION 1013. GOVERNMENTAL LIABILITY. THE COUNTY MAY BE SUED IN ACTIONS SOUNDING IN TORT IN THE SAME MANNER AND TO THE SAME EXTENT THAT ANY PRIVATE PERSON MAY BE SUED. THE COUNTY SHALL CARRY LIABILITY INSURANCE WITH ADEQUATE LIMITS TO COMPENSATE FOR INJURY TO PERSONS OR DAMAGE TO PROPERTY RESULTING FROM NEGLIGENCE AND OTHER WRONGDOINGS OF ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS, AND EMPLOYEES. NOTHING HEREIN SHALL PRECLUDE THE COUNTY FROM MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION BY A FUNDED SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM.

SECTION 1014. CONSTRUCTION OF POWERS. THE FAILURE TO MENTION A PARTICULAR POWER OR TO ENUMERATE SIMILAR POWERS IN THIS CHARTER SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO EXCLUDE SUCH POWERS OR TO RESTRICT THE AUTHORITY THAT THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE IF THE PARTICULAR POWER WERE MENTIONED OR THE SIMILAR POWERS ENUMERATED. THE CHARTER SHALL BE LIBERALLY CONSTRUED TO THE END THAT, WITHIN THE LIMITS IMPOSED BY THE CHARTER AND BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE, THE COUNTY SHALL HAVE ALL POWERS NECESSARY FOR THE CONDUCT OF ITS AFFAIRS.

SECTION 1015. SEPARABILITY. IF ANY ARTICLE, SECTION, SUBSECTION, SENTENCE, CLAUSE, OR PHRASE OF THIS CHARTER SHALL BE HELD UNCONSTITUTIONAL, INVALID, OR INAPPLICABLE TO ANY PERSON OR CIRCUMSTANCE, THEN IT IS INTENDED AND DECLARED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY THAT ALL OTHER ARTICLES, SECTIONS, SUBSECTIONS, SENTENCES, CLAUSES, OR PHRASES OF THE CHARTER AND THEIR APPLICATIONS TO ALL OTHER PERSONS AND CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL BE SEPARABLE AND SHALL NOT BE AFFECTED BY ANY SUCH DECISION.

SECTION 1016. CITATION. THIS CHARTER SHALL BE