RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Act No. 79-454 of the Legislature of Alabama of 1979, amended Section 167, Title 62, Code of Alabama, provides for the establishment of a Coroner/Medical Examiners' Commission with the authority to promulgate rules and regulations governing the reviews and investigations of the Jefferson County Coroner Medical-Examiners' Office including the conditions upon which such investigations shall be conducted; and

Whereas, the Coroner/Medical Examiners' Commission has reviewed and considered the categories of deaths subject to review and investigation by the Chief and Associate Coroner/Medical-Examiners in Jefferson County;

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Jefferson County Coroner/Medical Examiner Commission that in accordance with Act 79-454, Section 8., it approves the following categories of deaths for review and investigation by the Chief and Associate Coroner/Medical-Examiners in Jefferson County effective, Thursday, August 8th, 2019.

- a) suspicion of criminal violence or criminal neglect
- b) criminal abortion
- c) when a body is to be cremated, dissected, or buried at sea
- d) unclaimed bodies
- e) when a dead body is brought into this state without proper medical certification
- f) when deaths are thought to result from trauma or violence or other nonnatural processes
- g) unexpected death without adequate medical history to explain death
- h) in any prison or penal institution
- i) when in police custody
- j) disease constituting a hazard to public health when requested in writing by the County Health Officer
- k) deaths originating outside the geographical jurisdiction of the Coroner-Medical Examiner's Office, when authorized by the Chief Coroner-Medical Examiner of Jefferson County, for the purpose of assisting other coroner or medical examiner offices due to a perceived local conflict of interest, upon receiving official request in writing from the requesting coroner medical examiner.

Adopted by the Jefferson County Coroner/Medical Examiner Commission on this 8th day of August, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

William Counce, PhD, Chairperson,

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Jefferson County Coroner/Medical Examiner Commission