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LETTER OF COMMITMENT

STATEMENT OF VALUES:

Justin Nelson, Morrow County District Attorney states as follows: I believe in, and I am committed to creating community-based, pre-arraignment pathways for treatment and recovery support services to help individuals whose substance-use disorder and behavioral health conditions lead to interactions with law enforcement and engagement with the criminal justice system.

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT:

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The Morrow County District Attorney Office will apply for funding, if needed, to the 'Improving People's Access to Community-based Treatment, Supports and Services' (IMPACTS) Grant Review Committee. We also agree to participate in the IMPACTS data collection and review process. If barriers other than funding prevent programs from being stood up, we will work in partnership with the legislature and the IMPACTS Grant Review Committee to identify solutions by September 1, 2024.

As soon as funding is received, the Morrow County District Attorney will work to immediately stand-up programs in our communities. Once developed, funded, and stood up, our law enforcement partners commit to divert individuals are facing a PCS-U charge based off objective evidence-based national standards. Additionally, the District Attorney will divert all successful participants away from the criminal justice system and not pursue the PCS-U charge.

Thank you for your time,

BY: _____

Justin W Nelson
District Attorney
Oregon State Bar No. 07446

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R. A. Stokoe", written over a horizontal line.

Chief Rick Stokoe
Boardman Police Department

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