## RESOLUTION NO. <u>20-</u>[

WHEREAS, Sangamon County and its agents, employees, and medical contractors are defendants in a wrongful death action for injuries sustained during a medical emergency at the Sangamon County Jail by the estate of Maurice Burris;

WHEREAS, pretrial pleadings to have said action dismissed prior to trial have been denied in United States District Court and the matter will be scheduled for jury trial to resolve potential liability and damages against Sangamon County and its agents, employees and medical contractors;

WHEREAS, trial of this matter would result in substantial cost to Sangamon County to defend against these allegations;

WHEREAS, potential damages for a wrongful death action before a Federal Court jury entail exposure to a large judgment in Federal Court;

WHEREAS, Plaintiffs to the action have agreed to settle for an amount of \$60,000.00 (Sixty Thousand Dollars, U.S. Currency) for all County defendants, with no admission or wrongdoing by Sangamon County, the Sheriff's Office, the defendants or their agents;

WHEREAS, the Civil Liabilities Committee has monitored the lawsuit since filing and recommends settlement at the above amount to save costs of litigation and limit County exposure to a large judgment;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** by the members of the Board of Sangamon County, Illinois in session this 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2011 that the County Board Chairman is authorized to enter into settlement of an amount of \$60,000.00 (Sixty Thousand U.S. Currency).

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Toe Giello Sangamon County Clerk Respectfully Submitted,

Chairman Civil Liability Committee