



**COMMISSIONERS COURT  
COMMUNICATION**

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SUBMITTED BY	Commissioner, Precinct 1	PREPARED BY:	Roderick Miles, Jr.
		APPROVED BY:	Roderick Miles, Jr.

THE STATE OF TEXAS     §  
  §  
COUNTY OF TARRANT   §

**AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, **Mothers of Murdered Angels** is a non-profit organization that strives to end gun violence and advocate for victim’s right and justice.

WHEREAS, the Tarrant County Commissioners Court hereby finds that the program provided by **Mothers of Murdered Angels** benefits the residents of Tarrant County, Texas, and hereby declares that this **Agreement** is one of a professional service; and

NOW, THEREFORE, this **Agreement** is made and entered into this 11th day of March 2025, by and between **Mothers of Murdered Angels** acting by and through its duly authorized agent, and **TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS ("COUNTY")**, acting by and through its County Judge.

**Mothers of Murdered Angels** and the **COUNTY** agree as follows:

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2.           **COUNTY**, for and in consideration of the services provided, agrees to pay to **Mothers of Murdered Angels** a lump sum payment of **\$5,000.00** for services rendered to the residents of Tarrant County, Texas for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025.
3.           **TO THE EXTENT ALLOWED BY TEXAS LAW, MOTHERS OF MURDERED ANGELS HEREBY AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS COUNTY, ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS, OFFICIALS, AND EMPLOYEES FROM ANY LOSS, DAMAGE, INJURY OR CLAIM ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENT OPERATION OF ITS PROGRAM. SAID INDEMNIFICATION WILL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, ALL AMOUNTS OF ALL CLAIMS, ATTORNEYS' FEES, AND COSTS OF COURT.**
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**SIGNED AND EXECUTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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MeLinda Hamilton  
Founder/Director  
Mothers of Murdered Angels

**COUNTY OF TARRANT  
STATE OF TEXAS**

By: Separate Electronic Signature Page  
Tim O'Hare  
County Judge

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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\*By law, the Criminal District Attorney's Office may only approve contracts for its clients. We reviewed this document as to form from our client's legal perspective. Other parties may not rely on this approval. Instead, those parties should seek contract review from independent counsel.

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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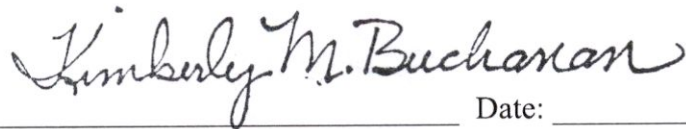
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Auditor Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Consideration of a Grant Agreement between Tarrant County and Mothers of Murdered Angels  
to Provide Support Services to Tarrant County Residents

**SIGNED AND EXECUTED** this 11 day of March, 2025.

**COUNTY OF TARRANT  
STATE OF TEXAS**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim O'Hare", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Tim O'Hare  
County Judge  
3/13/2025