ORDINANCE

RE: AMENDMENT TO THE COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, the Public Defender's Office requires additional funds to adjust the salary of the department head due to the State's Attorney's salary being modified by legislative COLA increases; and,

WHEREAS, by statute the Public Defender's salary is set at 90% of the State's Attorney's salary in order to receive a reimbursement from the State of 66 2/3% of the Public Defender's salary, and thus a savings of the County funds, such that it is both appropriate policy and economical for the County to adhere to the statutory guidelines; and,

WHEREAS, the budget therefore needs to be amended accordingly and this need was not known when the budget was prepared, and thus was not included.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the County Board of Vermilion County Illinois that the County Auditor and County Board Chairman and Office be authorized and instructed to so amend the budget for fiscal year 2024-2025 as set out below:

001.250.00.4110 Salary Department Head $4,771.00

PRESENTED, APPROVED AND RESOLVED by the County Board of Vermilion County, Illinois at the August 12, 2025 A.D. Session.

DATED this 12th day of August 2025 A.D.

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Steve Miller
Chairman, Vermilion County Board

ATTEST:

Robyn Heffern (VP)
Robyn Heffern, Clerk of the County Board

Approved by Judicial & Rules Committee: 7/22/25

Britny Hoag Chairperson	Y	N	A
Phil Jackson	Y	N	A
Dan Wright	Y	N	A
Tim Morgan	Y	N	A
Nancy O'Kane	Y	N	A
Vic McFadden	Y	N	A
Brad Watson	Y	N	A

Approved by Finance Personnel Committee: 8/4/25

Jerry Hawker Chairperson	Y	N	A
Larry Baughn, Jr.	Y	N	A
Lon Henderson	Y	N	A
Greg Shepard	Y	N	A
Todd Johnson	Y	N	A
Kevin Bodine	Y	N	A
Tim McFadden	Y	N	A
Jim McMahon	Y	N	A
Becky Stark	Y	N	A

Request for Amendment
Fiscal Budget
2024 - 2025

Dept: **Public Defender** Date: **7/11/2025**

Account Number	Account Description	Original Appr.	Additional	To Read
001.250.00.4110	Salary -Department Head	$ 186,045	$ 4,771	$ 190,816
		$	$	
		$	$	
		$	$	
		$	$	
		$	$	
		$	$	
		$	$	

Narrative:
The State of Illinois increased the annual salary for the State's Attorney by 6.1% for the COLA increase. Therefore, pursuant to the statute, the Public Defender's salary is set at 90% of the State's Attorney salary. By maintaining this 90% ratio, the County will be reimbursed at a rate of 66 2/3%.

Department Head: Michael T. Mara