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Legislation Text

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Dissolving the Joint Powers Agreement with Ramsey County, Northeast Metro 916 Intermediate School District, and Independent School District 625 - Saint Paul Public Schools, approved by the Council via RES 18-643 on May 2, 2018.

WHEREAS, the City of Saint Paul, the County of Ramsey, Northeast Metro 916 Intermediate School District, and Independent School District 625 - Saint Paul Public Schools (herein collectively referred to as the "Parties") are committed to working together to identify ways in which the Parties can work better together in serving youth and families in the community, and;

WHEREAS, the Parties have identified that a critical area of focus is how best to improve youth connections to school, to their peers, to positive role models, and to a sense of belonging in their community, especially for those youth who may be at risk of coming into contact with the justice system, and;

WHEREAS, after engaging in a multi-year pre-planning process, a Joint Powers Agreement, which called the project the Community Innovation Project, was developed and adopted by the Parties in 2018 with the goal of improving coordination of services and resources, and;

WHEREAS, with this Joint Powers Agreement, the Parties' goal was to transform the way public systems work together to improve opportunities and outcomes of families and children in the community today, and in the future, and;

WHEREAS, following the adoption of the Joint Powers Agreement, during pre-implementation planning the Parties received feedback from the community, including partners with strong, long-standing relationships with the Parties, expressing concern over the use of data as outlined in the Joint Powers Agreement, and;

WHEREAS, in response to the concerns raised around the use of data, the Parties seek to redevelop the vision for how they work together to serve youth and families, and engage in a series of community conversations to develop shared goals with the community, and;

WHEREAS, as a part of the redevelopment of the vision for this work with the community, the Parties have determined that the Joint Powers Agreement, and the authorities and tools it contains are no longer appropriate for their work, and;

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to terminate the Joint Powers Agreement, and;

WHEREAS, by its terms the Joint Powers Agreement may be terminated by consent of the Parties; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the City of Saint Paul, cooperatively with the County of Ramsey, through its Social Services Department, its Community Corrections Department, its County Attorney's Office, its Sheriff's Office and its St. Paul-Ramsey County Public Health Department; Northeast Metro 916 Intermediate School District, and Independent School District 625 - Saint Paul Public Schools hereby dissolves the attached Joint Powers Agreement authorized May 2, 2018, by Resolution 18-643.