RESOLUTION

in support for

WORKSITE LACTATION ACCOMMODATIONS FOR TARRANT COUNTY EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, breast milk is the most ideal food for infants because it is physiologically tailored to sustain their maturing digestive systems, ensuring adequate weight gain and physical development; and

WHEREAS, during the first six months of life, breast milk is the only food a healthy full-term infant requires, strengthening babies' immune system by supplying antibodies from the mother, preventing respiratory and gastrointestinal diseases and providing protection from other serious illnesses; and

WHEREAS, the benefits extend far beyond an infant's physical development as the skin-to-skin contract between mother and child improves an infant's emotional and cognitive development, and the bonding that takes place between mother and child through breastfeeding can build a loving and solid relationship; and

WHEREAS, to help babies and mother cultivate their breastfeeding relationship, it is important that employers create environments where breastfeeding mothers are supported in workplaces and the community; and

WHEREAS, Tarrant County recognizes that breast milk is the optimal food for growth and development of infants and encourages employees and management to have positive, accepting attitudes towards working women who are breastfeeding; and

WHEREAS, by providing lactation accommodations for new mothers to express breastmilk for their babies, Tarrant County can help ensure that babies are receiving optimal nutrition when their mothers are at work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, do hereby support and promote an organization-wide, mother-friendly lactation work environment that promotes and encourages breastfeeding mothers who are Tarrant County employees.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunder set our hands and caused the Seal of Tarrant County to be affixed this 2^{nd} day of June 2015.

County Judge B. Glen Whitley

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