

Warren County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION NO. 515 OF 2011

Resolution introduced by Supervisors Loeb and Wood

RESOLUTION REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF A HEARING OFFICER TO HEAR AND REPORT ON EMPLOYMENT RELATED CHARGES

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Social Services, Sheila Weaver, was arrested in connection with certain criminal charges in connection with certain matters involving the Department of Social Services, and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Attorney/Administrator has reported that the County has taken the only legal action permissible at this point which is to place the Commissioner on paid administrative leave, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Supervisors hereby directs that the paid administrative leave of the Commissioner of Social Services be continued until the employment matters are resolved, further resolution of the Board, and/or operation of law and hereby ratifies the actions of the Chairman of the Board and the Warren County Administrator with regard to commencement of said leave with the understanding that there would not appear to be any legal option at this time other than to provide for paid administrative leave, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a hearing be held on charges related to the employment activities of the Commissioner of Social Services and that the Commissioner be furnished with a written notice thereof and the reasons therefore by the County Attorney/Administrator and at least eight (8) days before being required to answer the same and that a hearing upon such charges be held by a Hearing Officer named by the Chairman of the Board which Hearing Officer shall make a record of such hearing and shall, with recommendations, report to the Warren County Board of Supervisors with the understanding that the Hearing Officer shall, upon request of the person against whom the charges are preferred, permit her to be represented by counsel and shall allow her to summon witnesses on her behalf with compliance with technical rules of evidence not be required, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the hearing requirements set forth in this resolution shall be held in abeyance pending the resolution of State involvement and, if such should occur, the County will defer to the State.