

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND
2007 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-5-2007

Proposed by The Chairman (by request – County Executive)

Introduced by Council Members Exum and Harrington

Co-Sponsors _____

Date of Introduction February 6, 2007

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 Emergency Appropriation

3 For the purpose of appropriating to the General Fund revenue in excess of budget estimates to
4 provide funds for costs that were not anticipated in the approved Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Budget.

5 WHEREAS, CB-35-2006, as amended, adopted and enacted the Annual Budget and
6 Appropriation Ordinance of Prince George’s County for Fiscal Year 2006-2007, which set forth
7 the amount of appropriations and revenue estimates, said appropriation and revenue estimates to
8 be adjusted as hereinafter set forth; and

9 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 816 of the Charter of Prince George’s County, Maryland,
10 the County Council may, by resolution and upon recommendation of the County Executive,
11 make emergency appropriations from contingent funds, from revenue received from anticipated
12 sources but in excess of the budget estimates therefor, from revenues received from sources not
13 anticipated in the budget for the current fiscal year, or from any prior year available and
14 uncommitted fund balance; and

15 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 815 of the Charter of Prince George’s County, Maryland,
16 the County Executive has recommended additional or supplementary appropriations to
17 Dimensions Health Corporation which appropriations are contained in CB-2-2007; and

18 WHEREAS, the County Executive and the County Council desire to provide assurances to
19 Dimensions Health Corporation and its creditors that such funds will be appropriated to
20 Dimensions Health Corporation in a timely manner; and

21 WHEREAS, the additional appropriation as provided herein, and certain additional revenue
22 have been identified; and

1 WHEREAS, the worsening fiscal condition of Dimensions Health Corporation has reached
2 a point creating an imminent hazard to the life and health of the citizens of Prince George’s
3 County; and

4 WHEREAS, an emergency appropriation to Dimensions Health Corporation is necessary in
5 order to meet certain fiscal requirements in a timely manner; and

6 WHEREAS, thousands of citizens and residents of Prince George’s County are uninsured
7 or underinsured resulting in tremendous reliance on the services and treatment provided at the
8 facilities of Dimensions Health Corporation; and

9 WHEREAS, the County Executive and the County Council have determined that the funds
10 appropriated in the Fiscal Year 2007 Budget should be subject to certain conditions and
11 restrictions to ensure that public policy priorities of the County are afforded appropriate
12 consideration; and

13 WHEREAS, the County Executive has duly recommended that the emergency
14 appropriation be made; now, therefore

15 SECTION 1. BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's County,
16 Maryland, that the following adjustments to revenue estimates for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 for the
17 General Fund, as expressed in CB-35-2006, are made:

	Approved		Revised
	Budget	Adjustments	Budget
REVENUE SOURCE			
Use of Money and Property	\$21,971,000	\$5,000,000	\$26,971,000
TOTAL, GENERAL FUND	\$2,373,251,300	\$5,000,000	\$2,378,251,300

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26 SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that supplementary appropriations are made
27 as follows:

	Approved		Revised
	Budget	Adjustments	Budget
GENERAL FUND			
NON-DEPARTMENTAL			
Grants and Transfer Payments	\$61,981,500	\$5,000,000	\$66,981,500

1	TOTAL, Non-Departmental	\$195,766,000	\$5,000,000	\$200,766,000
2	TOTAL, GENERAL FUND	\$2,373,251,300	\$5,000,000	\$2,378,251,300

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4 SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following conditions shall attach and
5 apply to this supplementary appropriation in the Non-Departmental, Grants and Transfer
6 Payments of \$5,000,000 for Dimensions Health Corporation:

- 7 A. Corbett Price of Kurrion, Inc. will be provided complete access to all records and
8 facilities of Dimensions so that he may perform an analysis of hospital operations and
9 finances;
- 10 B. The Board of Directors at Dimensions must affirmatively acknowledge that any
11 subsequent appropriation from the County to Dimensions will be predicated on
12 Dimensions' creation of a reorganization and long-term strategy to cut costs of
13 operations without compromising patient care that is acceptable to the County and
14 State; and
- 15 C. The Dimensions Board of Directors must affirmatively acknowledge that any
16 subsequent appropriation from the County to Dimensions will be conditioned on a
17 reconstitution of the Board of Directors.
- 18 D. Until the passage of a resolution by the Dimensions Board of Directors accepting these
19 conditions, no funds may be transferred from Prince George's County to Dimensions.
- 20 E. The County requests the State to allocate sufficient funding to the health care system to
21 off-set indigent care costs and for the State to alter reimbursement formulas for the
22 HSCRC to address inequities in the State health care system.

23 SECTION 4. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of
24 Section 816 of the Charter, the County Council hereby declares that a sudden, unexpected or
25 unforeseen condition or occurrence exists creating an imminent hazard to life, health, or property
26 and requiring an immediate action; said emergency being the need to provide funding to
27 Dimensions Health Corporation in order to support the continuation of essential health services
28 for the citizens and residents of Prince George's County. As the largest provider of inpatient and
29 emergency services, Dimensions Health Corporation is a cornerstone in the health care system in
30 the County. Access to quality health care for the citizens and residents of the County depends on
31 the continuation of Dimensions Health Corporation services. For the past several years,

1 Dimensions Health Corporation has been facing serious financial difficulties resulting in
2 significant operating losses. Supplemental County funding in Fiscal Year 2006-2007, in the
3 amount of \$5,000,000 is necessary to assist Dimensions Health Corporation with operating costs.
4 Without this supplementary appropriation funding, Dimensions Health Corporation will face
5 increased difficulty in funding vital short-term operating needs that could affect access to care.

Adopted this 6th day of February, 2007.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _____
Camille A. Exum
Chair

ATTEST:

Redis C. Floyd
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

DATE: _____ BY: _____
Jack B. Johnson
County Executive