## **RESOLUTION NO.** 5971

## A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE LINN COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH JUSTICE TASK FORCE GRANT SUBMISSION

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs Bureau of Justice Assistance makes grants available to communities seeking to keep those who suffer from mental illness from entering and remaining in the criminal justice system through the Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program; and

WHEREAS, the Albany Police Department has actively participated in the planning for this Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program grant with the Linn County Behavioral Health Justice Task Force; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force includes the Linn County Health Department, a Linn County Circuit Court Judge, District Attorney, Court Administrator, Linn County Mental Health Department, Linn County Drug and Alcohol Services, Linn County Sheriff's Office, Albany Police Department, Lebanon Police Department, Sweet Home Police Department, Linn County Defense Bar, and members of the community; and

WHEREAS, the grant will be administered by the Linn County Health Department and would provide critical incident training (CIT) for public safety officers and other persons who provide services to the mentally ill and expanded services for the mentally ill; and

WHEREAS, the Albany City Council is dedicated to assisting those suffering from mental illness to receive the benefit of CIT and expanded mental health services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Albany City Council supports the Linn County Behavioral Health Justice Task Force submitting an application to the US Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs Bureau of Justice Assistance for a Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program grant in the amount of \$250,000.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 12th DAY OF January 2011.

ATTEST

Mayor