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January 13, 2023

The Honorable John Mautz James Senate Office Building, Room 402 11 Bladen Street Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: SB 82 - CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM - TALBOT COUNTY

**FAVORABLE** 

Dear Senator Mautz:

On behalf of the Talbot County Council, I am writing in support of SB 82 – CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM – TALBOT COUNTY which authorizes the Talbot County local detention center officers to participate in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System (CORS) in the event that Talbot County becomes a participating government unit in CORS.

The Talbot County Council discussed the request for this legislation during our meeting with the local delegation on December 20, 2022. This legislation is a critical component for the recruitment and retention of correctional officer staff in Talbot County and we thank you for your sponsorship of SB 82.

Sincerely,

COUNTY COUNCIL OF TALBOT COUNTY

Chuck Callahan, President

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Cc: The Honorable Christopher Adams
The Honorable Tom Hutchinson

Terry Kokolis, Director, Talbot County Department of Corrections

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Riv. SS3 -0-8-8 Trust fund Bill

To whom it may concern,

Our approach is collaboration. X-ficare strategies have demonstrated effectiveness in crisis by utilizing 988 crisis services as a back-up that has saved many lives.

X-iT care Specializes in crisis services ie; an online-life-line to help those who are experiencing substance use or mental health crisis and those who are experiencing emotional distress.

Our X-Ticare crisis staff supports consumers with 1- on -1 ie; crisis counseling, mobile recovery teams, peer specialists, emergency room recovery coaches, veterans advocates and Licensed clinicians during a mental health crisis and utilizing 988 for services to build crisis services. They are 1st responders that have utilized and shared resources that birthed out the New X-Itcare advocates which including recovery supports, text line supports, via text messaging case management, referrals: prevention and intervention services where we measured zero recidivism for x offenders on parole and 89% recovery standards in special populations ie; Veterans and Reentry and at-risk youth in residential settings. We support 988 SB3 9-8-8- Trust fund bill, they have helped agencies that are interested in creating or adjusting crisis services in their communities without having to involve the police? In addition, those who have co-occurring disorders; both mental health and substance -use disorders, visits in the ER Emergency room and discharged without receiving a higher level of care.

X-ITcare are person centered for people who are in crisis ie; suicidal or homicidal through intervention services provide supports. In addition, our 1-on1 app locate individuals through our gift 2 lift card program, make our daily rounds and mobile start-up programs in the community starting to build crisis services for our communities.

988 supports Collaborative approaches to Responding to Behavioral Health Emergencies that reviews best practices for law enforcement responding to mental health crises, strategies for collaboration, policy considerations, and more.

X-Itcare Crisis Response online- lifeline will continue to Connect Callers with Mental Health Professionals if approved and we are in favor of the SB3 -9-8-8 Trust fund Bill. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact me at 855-948-1661-1-on-1 website xitwithdrtin.com

Kind Regards,

Dr. Tina Parkman CPC LPC, CAADC

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X-ITCARE LLC/Director