

RESOLUTION #198

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE MMIA
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS
PROGRAM AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town of Valier is duly organized under the laws of the State of Montana; and

WHEREAS, Article XI, Section 7 of the Montana Constitution provides that a political subdivision may (a) cooperate in the exercise of any function, power, or responsibility with, (b) share the services of any officer or facilities with, and (c) transfer or delegate any function, power responsibility, or duty of any officer to one or more other local government units, the state or the United States;

WHEREAS, Mont. Code Ann. Title 7, Chapter 11, Part 1, (the Interlocal Cooperation Act) authorizes political subdivisions to create interlocal agreements to jointly perform any undertaking that each such political subdivision unit is authorized by law to perform;

WHEREAS, Mont. Code Ann. § 2-18-702, authorizes cities and towns to enter into group hospitalization, medical, health, including long-term disability, accident or group life insurance contracts or plans for the benefit of their officers and employees and their dependents;

WHEREAS, Mont. Code Ann. § 2-18-711, permits the establishment of group programs by local government entities to provide employee group benefits;

WHEREAS, the Montana Municipal Interlocal Authority (Authority) is a joint exercise of powers entity established pursuant to an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement in accordance with the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act for the purpose of providing pooled risk coverage programs for the Town of Valier and other political subdivisions executing the Interlocal Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is authorized to exercise necessary powers to implement the purposes of the Authority as established by the Interlocal Agreement;

WHEREAS, by executing this Program Agreement, the Town of Valier signatory hereto has heretofore determined and does hereby confirm that the Assessments and other charges required by the Employee Benefits Program have been and are just and reasonable and advantageous to the public benefit of the citizens of such Member Entity; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Valier hereby approves and adopts this Employee Benefits Program Agreement.

Adopted this ____10____ day of _October__ 2022.

Ayes: ____

Nays: ____

Absent: ____

Glenn Wunderlich, Mayor

Stephanie Sullivan, Clerk